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COMMENT OF THE DAY

"New Line" Abandoned

ANY prospects that the Communist Government of Eastern Germany intended to "liberalise" its policies and give more freedom to the people in the Soviet—and that this was an indication of a change in attitude by the Russian Government itself—have been pretty well destroyed by events of the past week. All the signs now point to a tightening of the dictatorship and a ruthless drive to suppress any form of opposition among the still discontented industrial workers. It is significant that the new Minister of Justice has announced (in defiance of the Constitution let it be noted) that strikes are to be treated as illegal, as Fascist putches, and that the courts are going to enforce this "mercilessly." Again, Herr Walter Ulbricht, the East German deputy Premier and the real head of the Government, has called for the "rooting out" of Social Democrats from the factories, has told workers that it is their duty to unmask all "provocators"—which is the current Communist phrase for any who voices discontent—and has ordered that workers are to be "mobilised for prompt execution of decisions of the Government."

THE sudden abandonment of what had been called the "new line" by the East German Government is not altogether surprising, for despite the promise of all-round concessions in the economic field, amnesties and even hints of some sort of coming instalment of political and personal liberty, the workers' discontent remained unaltered. On the contrary they have demanded more, even to the point of free elections, both in the country and the trade unions, and this their Soviet masters in the Kremlin could not tolerate. Thus Herr Fechner, an old Social Democrat, who stood manfully for continued cancellation of the workers' lost job as Minister of Justice—and has—been replaced by the notoriously ruthless Frau Benjamin, charged with the specific task of bringing the discontented masses into line. The purge which is now proceeding in the high offices of the East German Government means but one thing: it is the end and sharp reversal of the "new line," only a few weeks after it had aroused so much hope amongst East Germans.

WHETHER and in what way these happenings link up with the events in Soviet Russia offers interesting, but not very profitable speculation. Beria's arrest was announced on July 10 and Fechner was arrested on July 16. But it is obvious that both the adoption of the "new line" at the end of May and its abandonment in mid-July must have had the approval of the Soviet Government. In a small measure this throws some light on current Russian policy with regard to Germany. It is noteworthy that in its announcement of the "new line" the East German Communist Party explicitly declared that one of its objects was to achieve the unity of Germany; and even on July 15 Herr Grotwold was still talking of "reunion through a free vote." But one thing which the abandonment of the "new line" makes very plain is that there is now going to be no question of free voting or of anything which savours of personal and political freedom for the people in the Soviet zone. Which may well indicate that, except for propaganda purposes, the Soviet Government has now turned its back on the idea of a reunited Germany, and intends instead to tighten its grip on the Eastern part of that divided country.

DULLES' PLEDGE TO RHEE

**Will Abandon Korean Conference If Reds Act In Bad Faith
US POSITION CLARIFIED**

Washington, July 27.

The United States has promised to walk out of the post-armistice Korean political conference if it thinks the Communists are negotiating in bad faith and are trying to undermine the South Korean Republic by subversion, a usually reliable Washington source disclosed today.

This pledge has been given by Mr John Foster Dulles, United States Secretary of State, in a personal letter to President Syngman Rhee, whose position is that his co-operation in the truce agreement will end 90 days after the political conference begins.

At the same time Mr Dulles rejected several demands which Dr Rhee put forward as part of his terms for promising not to obstruct a truce. Acceptance of these terms would have committed the United States to an inflexible course of action if the political conference broke down.

Churchill & Eden Study Effects Of Korea Truce

London, July 27.

Sir Winston Churchill and Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, today discussed the effect of the Korean armistice on the Prime Minister's call for high-level talks between world leaders, it is believed in diplomatic quarters here.

The two statesmen met for the first time since Mr Eden's return yesterday from the United States following his gall bladder operation.

Europe is still hotly debating whether the Western invitation to Moscow to join in a Foreign Ministers' meeting on Germany is in keeping with Sir Winston Churchill's appeal, and the impact of the Prime Minister's proposal must have been one of the main talking points at today's meeting.

The Korean armistice may lead Russia to concentrate her diplomatic offensive on Far Eastern rather than on European issues, diplomatic quarters here said today. Officials here remain convinced that the main object of the Soviet foreign policy is to weaken the western alliance by dividing them on the issues where the United front has been maintained by years of Communist intransigence.

IMPORTANT FACTOR

The fact that in the Korean political talks the Peking Government will be negotiating as an international conference table for the first time is bound to add force to Moscow's demand for world recognition of Communist China, it is believed here.

President Rhee's demands were that the United States should walk out if the South Korean delegation itself lost the political talks. Second, resume the war automatically should the conference fail to reach agreement on the peaceful settlement of the Korean question.

Third, supply military aid to South Korea to support any move by Dr Rhee to unite North and South Korea by force of arms.

Mr Dulles told Dr Rhee that the United States would withdraw from the political talks before the 90-day period expired if the Communists were thought to be negotiating in bad faith.

But he insisted that the United States must by its own logic of Communist intentions and could not commit itself to walking out simply because the South Koreans took the lead.

Dr Rhee was told the United States would have to decide itself on the course of action it would take following any breakdown in the talks. Mr Dulles refused to promise an automatic resumption of hostilities.

Mr Dulles also said the United States would not commit itself to sending aid to South Korea to implement any South Korean policy of unifying the country by military means.

DEMAND REJECTED

It is understood that the United States also rejected a demand by Dr Rhee for an automatic military clause in the mutual defence treaty which President Eisenhower offered him in return for his co-operation in observing the truce with the Communists.

Dr Rhee was told the mutual security pact would contain a guarantee similar to that given to other allies in the Pacific area—that an armed attack would be recognised as a danger, and that each party would act to meet the common danger in accordance with its constitutional processes.

As is the case with the treaties with the Philippines, Australia and New Zealand, officials said, this type of guarantee would not commit the United States to automatic armed intervention if an act of aggression was committed in the Pacific area.

Britain, France and the United States have already stated that if the Communists broke the truce they would take measures to restore peace under the original United Nations resolution which authorised the Allies to intervene when the North Koreans invaded South Korea in June, 1950.

The foremost problem among the Western Allies as a result of the armistice, according to Washington press despatches, is the threat of an eventual struggle between the United States and Britain over the admission of Communist China to the United Nations.

As for the Communist side, the despatches said, there was already speculation about the impact of the armistice on relations between the Soviet Union, North Korea and Peking—a situation about which Western governments knew little but hoped for much.

FIRST ARENA

The first arena of the diplomatic struggle over these problems will be the United Nations General Assembly next month when the major objective of the United States and presumably of other friendly nations would be to seek the Korean unification which both sides failed to win in the war, these reports said.

The Western allies concurred this unification under a non-Communist Government, which raised the critical question: if the Communists are willing to consider giving up North Korea what price will they ask?

The answer may be a seat for Peking in the United Nations, displacing Nationalist China, and end to the trade embargoes against Communist China and satisfaction of China's claims on Formosa.

The British seemed to favour a United Nations seat for Communist China once the Korean fighting ended, but there was such overwhelming opposition to it in the United States Congress that the Eisenhower administration appeared to have no choice but to fight any deal along that line, press report said.

BITTER ISSUE

They added that the issue of Formosa was a bitter one for the United States, which recognised the Chinese Nationalist Government established there and also considered that Formosa in hostile hands would be a threat to the American defence system in the western Pacific.

The United States, Britain and France agreed early this month that they would maintain their policies of barring Communist China from the United Nations and embargoes strategic materials to that country pending further consultations.

But since Britain recognises Communist China instead of the Nationalists and since there had been pressure in Parliament to seat Communist China in the United Nations it seemed unlikely that the British could long delay a demand for consultation on the United Nations and trade issues now that the truce was signed.—Reuters.

Three Alleged Smugglers Held

Tokyo, July 28.

Tokyo police yesterday arrested three Japanese on charges of smuggling 20 million yen (£20,000) worth of English suitings, drugs and other goods from Tokyo into Korea by American military planes.

Police said two of the arrested were Japanese employees of the United States Air Force and the third an employee of an airline.

Police believed they worked for a big smuggling ring and stole military air cargo dispatch forms.—Reuters.

FIRST MEETING

Tokyo, July 27.

Peking Radio, monitored here, said today that the first meeting of the Military Armistice Commission, will be held at Panmunjom at 11 a.m. (2 a.m. GMT) today.—United Press.

E. Berliners Defy Authorities

Pour Into West Zone For Food

Berlin, July 27.

Scores of thousands of East Berliners defying East German opposition poured into West Berlin today to collect free food provided by the city authorities.

Some arrived at 4 o'clock this morning and officials in charge of the scheme estimate that more than 80,000 people will have collected their parcels when the 10 distribution centres close tonight.

The scheme aims to distribute 5,000 tons of food to 1,000,000 East Berliners and East Germans within a fortnight.

Crowds were so great at some centres today that the authorities considered setting up new centres to ease the congestion. But police called for reinforcements and organised the waiting masses into long queues.

The Soviet authorities have alleged in protest notes to the Western allies that the food scheme is a means of infiltrating agents into East Germany.

Fears that the Soviet or East German authorities would try to combat the scheme have so far proved groundless: except for one unconfirmed report by the information bureau, West, of a West Berlin anti-Communist organisation.

The organisation reported that police being heckled arrested a man and two women carrying food parcels at the border of East and West Berlin. West Berlin police confirmed the arrests but would not say whether the three were arrested because they were carrying food parcels.—Reuters.

Assassination Plot Alleged

Havana, Cuba, July 27.

President Fulgencio Batista said today opposition leaders had planned to assassinate him during a national regatta yesterday at Varadero, a beach resort 130 miles east of the capital.

The President, addressing Army troops at Camp Columbia, said the attackers were provided with "fat packs of travellers' cheques provided by the real leaders who are safely abroad enjoying riches looted from the public treasury."

He said Communist documents and propaganda were seized on many of those arrested in the uprising.

The Cuban Cabinet today suspended Constitutional rights for 90 days, giving the Government power to ban mass meetings, search homes and open mail.

The Government also closed down the Communist daily.

The cause of these measures was yesterday's attack by about 200 civilians, said to have been disguised as soldiers, on the army garrison at Santiago de Cuba, in the island.

The garrison commander reported 48 killed in the attack and 20 wounded.—Reuters.

Life has again been disrupted in Calcutta by another general strike in protest against the increase in second class tramway fares. Shops, markets and restaurants were closed. Train services were held up from early morning by demonstrations, and buses and trams were attacked with bombs, acid and stones. Bombs were thrown at a police party in the Bowbazar area by demonstrators, and police used tear gas to quell the rioters.—London Express.

Test Case Of Wide Importance

Cherbourg, July 27.

A Customs complaint against the United States Line for refusing to declare parcel post packages was tried in Cherbourg Civil Court in a test case that may have far-reaching effects on international border controls.

A decision is expected late this week.

American flag captains started several months ago refusing to include parcel post mail sacks on their manifest declarations on the grounds that the sacks were "mail" and not "freight".

The Customs Service first sued company agents in France but the case was dismissed on the grounds that agents were not responsible for the actions.

Customs lawyers said that merchandise, no matter what kind of sack it is transported in, should be considered freight and listed on the ship's manifest.

They claim that should the courts decide for the line it could mean the entry of almost any amount of goods with Customs control reduced to a minimum.—United Press.

Taft's Return Postponed

New York, July 27.

Senator Robert Taft's return to his congressional duties from hospital here has been postponed indefinitely.

A bulletin from the New York hospital said today that it appeared "further treatment was warranted" following an exploratory operation of Senator Taft's abdominal wall early this month.

The chief Republican Senator has been suffering from a hip ailment.

Earlier, it was expected that he would return to Washington this week.—Reuters.

Embarrassing!

Syracuse, Sicily, July 27.

A 16-year-old girl was offered as a bride to her 18-year-old brother by a confused matrimonial agent here today.

Miles "T.J." and her brother "G.L.", using fictitious names and unknown to each other, both applied to the same matrimonial agent to find them a suitable mate.

The agent thought the two applications a natural—until he arranged the meeting and brought them together. Brother and sister decided to "call the whole thing off"—United Press.

Trouble In Calcutta



High Court Trial For Alleged Red Spies

Duesseldorf, July 28.

A British summary court here today ordered four Germans charged with conspiring to spy for the Soviet Union to be remanded in prison for trial before a British high court in Germany.

The Magistrate, Mr C. C. J. Briscoe, said he could not find the four "not guilty." The charges raised by the prosecution were too grave to allow him to set them free.

They face sentences of up to eight years imprisonment. Court officials said the trial would probably begin in the second half of August at Bielefeld or Duesseldorf.

The four Germans told British interrogators they spied for the Soviet Union for fear of reprisals against their relatives in Soviet-occupied East Germany, according to prosecution evidence at their trial here today.

The prosecution produced statements alleged to have been made by the accused during interrogation in the British-run prison at Werl, Westphalia.

ADMIT PAYMENT

According to these, all four admitted having received money for their services to the Soviet Union.

The accused were Werner Berg, 44, Eberhard Dornick, 29, Karl-Heinz Tejkl, 23, and Erich Krueger, 33. Krueger, a woman, worked as a telephoneist in a British Army exchange.

The statements produced by the prosecution quoted the accused as saying that Berg had received about 2,000 marks for his services, of which 700 marks went to Krueger. Dornick had received about 3,000 marks and Tejkl more than 500 marks.

The defendants had said they collected data on British units, troop movements, airfields, army vehicle registration, tank types and equipment, military shooting ranges and names and ranks of British officers.—Reuters.

MORE POWERS FOR OFFICIALS

Nairobi, July 27.

The Kenya Government today empowered District Commissioners in the Colony to order the closing of all shops, markets and trading centres for periods of up to three months in areas where the inhabitants have taken part in Mau Mau activities.

A number of shops and eating houses in the African locations of Nairobi have been closed down in recent weeks because the inhabitants failed to help the authorities to arrest Mau Mau gunmen and other criminals.—Reuters.

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Greek & Bulgarian Delegations To Start Work On Remarking Frontier Line

Bandits' Coup

Manila, July 27. Fifty bandits, not Hukos, raided Barrio Carmon in Cavite Province on Sunday evening, and kidnapped 150 residents, including Councilor Domingo Imperial, and two policemen. After five hours, however, the bandits released them. The bandits set up checkpoints in the streets, looted stores and carried away 3,000 pesos in valuables, injured one resident, and took away the weapons of the policemen. — France-Press.

Social Problem Of Africans Living In France

Paris, July 27. The death of seven Algerian workmen under a hail of police gunfire during Bastille Day rioting focussed new attention on the serious social problem of 300,000 North Africans living in sub-marginal conditions in France.

Most of them are French citizens since Algeria was made part of the French homeland after World War II. They come to the capital looking for work, a better life, the golden promise of Western civilisation.

Instead, most of them find themselves stranded, broke, unemployed, living in the most squalid conditions in any of France's largest cities. Because of their French citizenship there are no special services set up to protect and guide them in what remains for them a basically foreign land, and no means of controlling their entry or movement.

For this reason alone, there is no exact figure on the number of Algerians in France, but most authorities agree that the 300,000 figure furnished by the Family Aid Office is a reliable estimate. Almost all are adult males.

Nevertheless, the Ministry of Labour lists only 137,000 Algerians as gainfully employed. The rest are largely reduced to begging, peddling merchandise of dubious quality on the streets, or living by illegal means.

Employers say those who have jobs are good workmen, get along well with their fellows, are punctual and well disciplined, but markedly slower than native-born Frenchmen. Only one in a 1,000 ever rises to the level of foreman, however.

HIGH CRIME RATE
The Arabs are clanish, live together in groups according to their tribe or home town—in Africa, and devoted faithfully to helping each other in the strange and frequently hostile world that surrounds them.

With less than one in two working, and all ill-paid for the most menial labour, shelling with less fortunate persons in a single room lacking even elementary necessities in the worst quarters of the city.

Crime rates run in normal proportion to the population, police reports say. Knifing and violence are unusually high, but swimming is almost non-existent.

With living conditions so low and a social welfare programme completely lacking, the Algerian colony has been a ripe field for Communist missionary work. The Algerians have moved in where they found conditions worst and organised Algerians into "shock troops" that have little to lose in supporting the Communist propaganda line.

The Communists, of course, have everything to gain in stirring up a natural discontent and in setting up situations where the Algerians can become public martyrs. Police charge that the Bastille Day rioting at Place de la Nation hid all the earmarks of being well organized in advance.

WIDESPREAD CALL
Politicians from almost every party have called for full investigation of the causes of the riots in both the National Assembly and the Senate, and non-Communist labour unions and civic groups have joined in the demand, urging that

On Saturday, August 1, Greek and Bulgarian delegations will meet in the Bulgarian frontier town of Svilgrad to start the work of remarking the Greek-Bulgarian frontier line, with an aim to avoiding in the future disputes and incidents endangering peace in the Balkans.

The Greek delegation will include two major-generals, one brigadier and two diplomats from the Greek Foreign Ministry.

It is understood here that diplomats will also be included in the Bulgarian delegation, and their presence on both sides is considered as an indication that, beyond the marking of the frontier line, an effort will be made to improve the general relations between the two countries.

The Greek-Bulgarian frontier line was defined by the Treaty of Neuilly in 1919, and reaffirmed by the Paris Treaty of 1946 which concluded peace with Hitler's satellites. The peace conference in Paris rejected Greek claims for "modification" of the line at the expense of Bulgaria "for strategic reasons," and provided that Bulgaria, which had invaded Greece in 1941, should return to its frontier.

However, time circumstances and the flow of the River Evros, which separates Greece from Bulgaria, have brought about a confusion as to the exact line, and the Bulgarians availed themselves of this confusion to raise demands which resulted in frequent incidents, mainly on Evros.

Time and the Bulgarian occupation of Greek Thrace contributed to the destruction of landmarks set up after 1919 at certain points along the frontier line, and the main task of the two delegations will be to restore these.

But the real source of incidents in the last three years has been mainly the River Evros. This river has the bad habit of changing its flow rather frequently, and creating little islets whose positions change with the flow.

CHANGES POSITION
Three of these little islands called Alpha, Vita and Gamma, are mostly sandy, with only a few bushes and not exceeding three acres in area. Originally, it was decided that Alpha was Greek, Vita was Bulgarian, and the nationality of Gamma was not definitely fixed because of the constant change in the river's flow.

The national allocation of the islands was based on the international principle that, in the case of non-navigable rivers, the frontier line crosses through the middle of the river. But the River Evros, in the last four or five years, has begun moving southward. As a result, Alpha changed its position from the southern bank to the river to the northern.

The Bulgarians took advantage of this and claimed that henceforth the island was Bulgarian. In August, 1950, they tried to occupy it and this caused the first serious postwar incident. Simultaneously they sought to alter the flow of the river there and, by implication, also the Bulgarian ownership of Alpha. The Greeks opened fire, which the Bulgarians returned, killing three Greek soldiers. Finally, the Bulgarians abandoned the island.

URGED REPEATEDLY
In July, 1952, the Bulgarians again attempted to occupy the island Gamma, which had so far been considered a no-man's-land. Again there were incidents, mutual fire and the Bulgarians retired.

There were also several minor incidents, due to the lack of landmarks. In each case the UNSCOP and its successor, the United Nations Peace Committee, was called in, and each time they urged a new marking of the frontier line. In accordance with these suggestions the Greek Government has asked Bulgaria, through UNO, for a committee to carry out this work since 1951.

On June 24, 1953, with the Communist peace offensive in full swing, the Bulgarian Foreign Minister advised UNO that his country accepted the Greek proposition to establish a Greek-Bulgarian Committee. On July 10, Greek and Bulgarian representatives met, on Greek soil, and decided that the work of the Committee should begin on August 1. — United Press.

SNATCH A CONTRACT FROM U.S.

British electrical engineers have shattered a construction record and snatched a \$210,000 contract from American competitors.

In six months technicians of Reynolds and Company of Huddersfield in England's industrial north-east have built the entire switchgear for the Shell Company's Cardon Oil Refinery in Venezuela.

Normal time for this type of construction is 18 months. The original switchgear, nerve centre of the rapidly growing refinery, was destroyed by fire last September little over three years after its installation. For a while it looked as if the refinery might have to close down for several months.

But Shell company experts put together makeshift equipment and the plant was open again for business in three weeks. Meanwhile, tenders were invited from American and British firms for the lucrative contract to install new switchgear.

The British firm's offer to break records to get the new equipment ready won the contract. And now, little more than six months after work began, two ships are on their way to Venezuela with the completed switchgear.

To supervise the installation of the equipment Reynolds and Company are sending three engineers from England and one senior supervising engineer from Canada.

Japanese Prospects Said Poor

New Delhi, July 27. Prospects of increased Japanese trade with India in the near future are very poor despite the relaxation of import restrictions in India's new import policy for the second half of this year.

It is felt that Japan is particularly interested in selling to India—diesel engines, copper wire, electric cable wire, and iron and steel plate—the restrictions have become tighter, instead of easier.

Favourable to Japan are imports of commodities like artificial silk yarn, wool yarn, textile machinery and other small machinery and sundry goods.

India, on the other hand, is looking forward to more trade with Japan in the matter of export.

India expects to sell more raw cotton, iron ore, coking coal and manganese ore to Japan during this year than it did last year. — United Press.

'Magic Carpet' At Greenwich

East and west can be spanned in one stride—and it is not necessary to travel by Comet. All that is needed is to step astride a "magic carpet" which has been newly laid outside the Royal Observatory at Greenwich by the Ministry of Works.

The "carpet" is a yard-wide block of white stone which goes across the pathway outside the Observatory and up the wall beside it. Down the centre of the stone is set a thin brass strip which shows tourists where the two halves of the world meet—at the Greenwich meridian.

Until recently this line was shown only by a small groove across the path and by a plaque on the wall.

The plaque is still there to tell tourists that the line was adopted by international agreement in 1884.

The main interest of the new "carpet" for visitors with cameras is that on it they can now photograph couples standing in the east and in the west, with the line still holding them.

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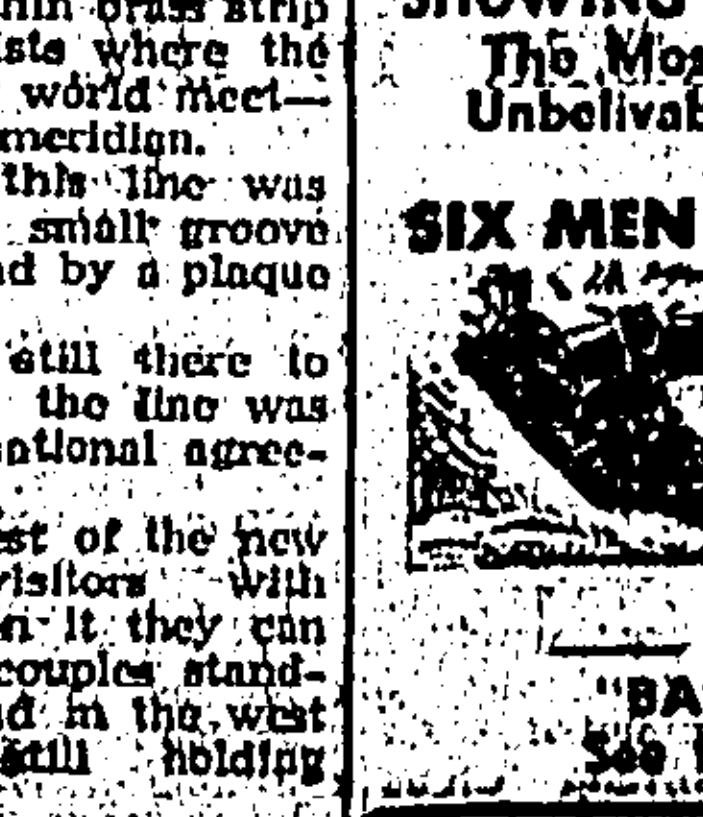
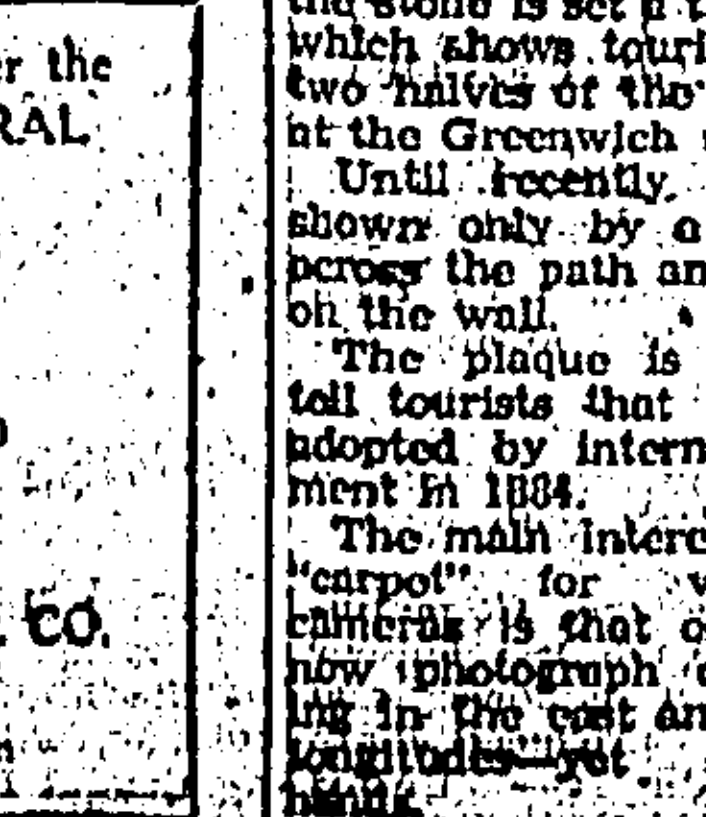
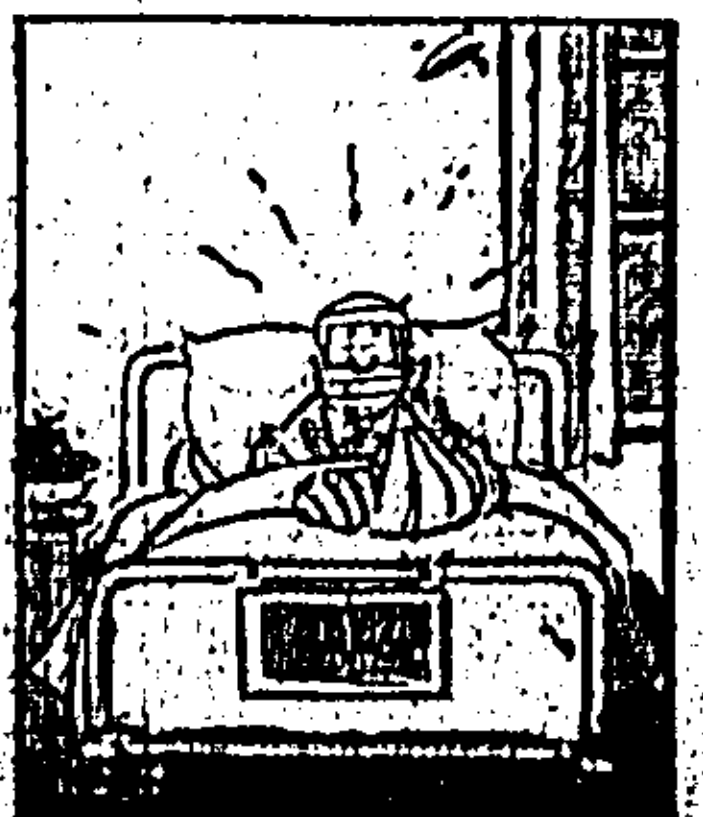
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America Made Safer

Dulles' Views On Korea War

Washington, July 27. The Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, said today that the Korean struggle had made the United States grow "infinitely safer" and a third world war less likely.

Mr. Dulles said this was so because the armistice established the principle of collective security as a means of dealing with aggression and the principle of political asylum for deserters from Communist forces.

He told a youth conference at the State Department that "these two great principles were well worth fighting for."

"They are the principles which, once established, add greatly to the security of the United States and make it less likely that there will be a third world war, with the incalculable destruction which would come from an atomic war."

Mr. Dulles added: "The principle of political asylum for prisoners who do not choose to return to Communist rule is tremendously important not only in Korea but everywhere."

"It means the Red armies are far less dependable than ever before. The soldiers in these armies who want freedom will be more apt to desert and surrender knowing that they will be given political asylum in a free land. Thus the Red armies become less dependable and there is far less risk that the Communists will be tempted to use these armies for aggression."

Mr. Dulles said at the beginning of his address: "Your country today is infinitely safer than it would have been had this war not been fought. It has established two great principles which make America safer."

He said that the truce line established a new rule to the Republic of Korea of 1,500 square miles which included important natural resources.—Reuter.

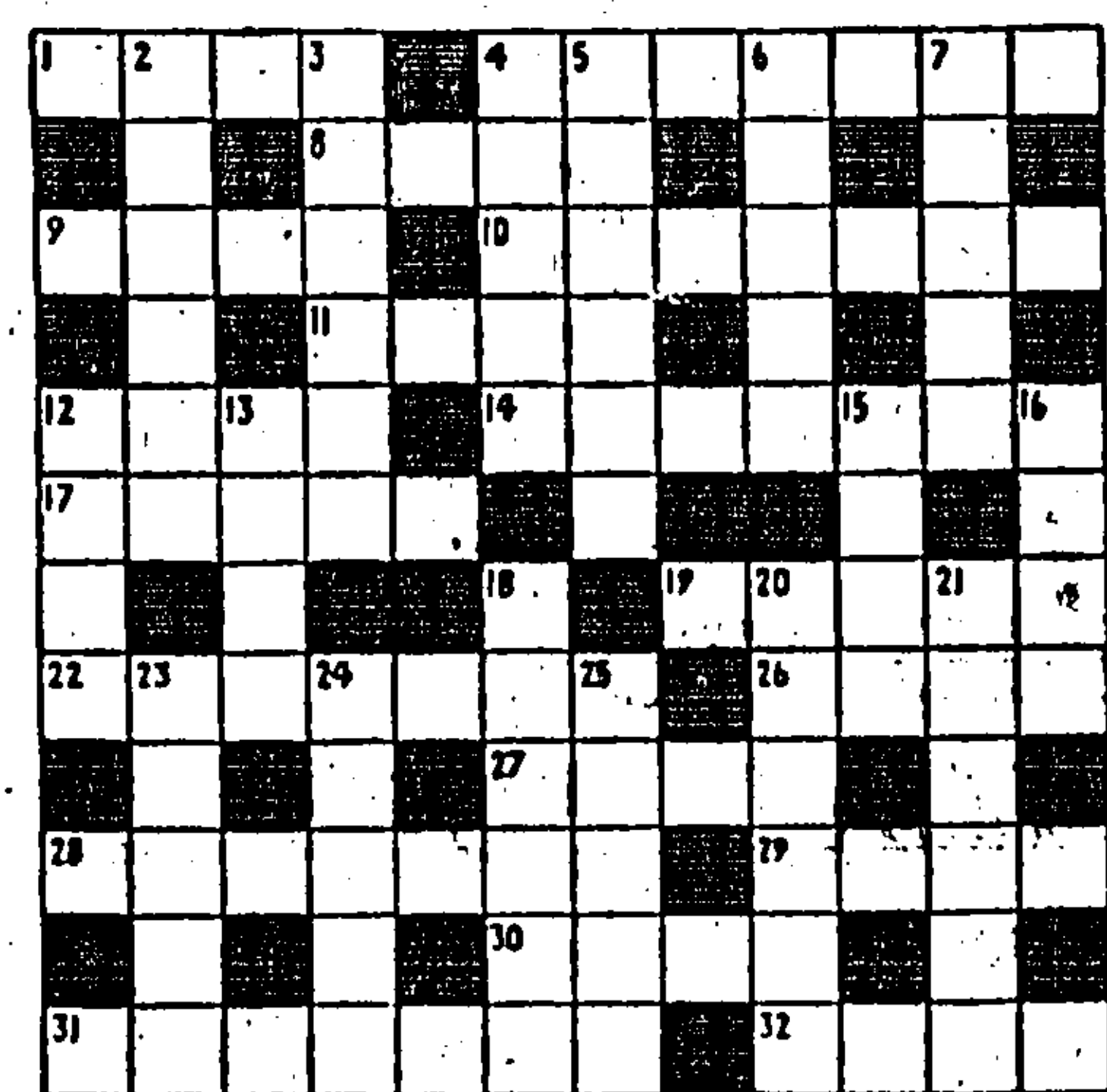
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Moscow, July 27. Marshal Klement Voroslov, President of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet, today received the new Austrian Ambassador, Herr Herbert Bismuth, who presented his credentials.

The ceremony took place in accordance with normal protocol in the presence of representatives of the Soviet Foreign Ministry and other Austrian diplomats accredited to Moscow.

Marshal Voroslov then had a short talk with M. Bismuth which was described as very cordial.—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Smart (4).
- 4 Staying power (7).
- 8 Behind-hand (4).
- 9 Unfasten (4).
- 10 Famous (7).
- 11 Pace (4).
- 12 Meditate (4).
- 14 Countryman (7).
- 17 Rub out (6).
- 19 Enemy agents (6).
- 22 Negotiated (7).
- 23 Damsel (4).
- 27 Wary (4).
- 28 Holder of a commission (7).
- 29 Sketch (4).
- 30 Animal (4).
- 31 Compunctious (7).
- 32 Simple (4).

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POSSIBLE RESULT

Karachi: Mr. Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, visiting here, said he was happy that the truce had been signed.

Mr. Mohammed Ali, the Pakistan Prime Minister, said: "I am extremely happy" and added: "I hope the United Nations will redouble its efforts to remove war and conflicts where they exist so as to ensure lasting peace for us all."

Ottawa: Mr. Louis St. Laurent, the Prime Minister, said peace in Korea could lead to a general settlement. The news was received with satisfaction by the Canadian people, he said.

The Hague: The Dutch Foreign Minister without portfolio, Mr. Joseph Luns, said the truce "gives ground for great satisfaction" even if the goal of unification had not yet been achieved.

He added: "We may think ourselves lucky that this war should not have a decisive voice in the forthcoming political conference on Korea's future."

In a speech to the Senate on the Korean Armistice, Senator Knowland, a leading supporter of General Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist regime in Formosa, said the United States had contributed 90 per cent of United Nations manpower to the Korean conflict and had taken 90 per cent of the casualties.

"Those who have made the greatest sacrifice cannot approve the neutrals who sat out the war claiming a decisive voice in the political conference," he said.—Reuter.

TAIPEI WARNING

Taipei, Formosa: The Chinese Nationalist Foreign Minister, Mr. George Yeh, yesterday warned against what he called "undue optimism" over the Korean armistice. He issued his statement after General Chiang Kai-shek had conferred with his top officials.

Mr. Yeh said: "The Communists may have agreed to sign an armistice in Korea because they wanted to prepare themselves for an adventure in other parts of Asia and because they wanted to gain some political compensations from the United Nations."

He said: "It is the responsibility of the United Nations to see that the Chinese prisoners who have openly and defiantly expressed their unwillingness to return to Communist tyranny are not subjected to any undue influence by the Communists in their continued confinement."

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Vivien Leigh Recovers



Showing how well she has been recovering from her illness, a radiant Vivien Leigh is pictured with her husband, Sir Laurence Olivier, at a party given in London by Mr. Hugh Beaumont, head of Tennent, the theatrical firm. Miss Leigh was making her first public appearance since she was taken ill while filming in Hollywood in March.—Reuterphoto.

Malenkov Sends A Message To N. Korean Premier

London, July 27.

M. Georgi Malenkov, the Soviet Premier, today sent a telegram to Kim Il Sung, the North Korean Premier, congratulating him on the successful conclusion of the Korean armistice talks, Moscow Radio announced.

The message said: "The Soviet Government wishes successes to the Government of the Korean People's Democratic Republic in the solution of such important tasks as the reconstruction of the country and expresses readiness to extend all possible assistance to the suffering people of Korea in a new peaceful life and healing the deep wounds inflicted by their bloody war for freedom and independence."

M. Malenkov's message, said the Soviet people considered the conclusion of the armistice negotiations "a great victory for the Koreans and the Chinese People's Volunteers."

General Kim Il Sung, who is Commander-in-Chief as well as Premier, countersigned the armistice document at his headquarters today after a formal signing at Panmunjom by General William Harrison and General Nam Il.

M. Malenkov's message to "Comrade Kim Il Sung" said: "GREAT VICTORY"

"The reported signing of the armistice has given rise to great satisfaction among all Soviet people, who consider the successful ending of the Armistice negotiations a great victory for the Koreans and the Chinese People's Volunteers."

"The Korean Armistice agreement is at the same time a big victory for the entire camp of peace and democracy."

"With the ending of the war, the Korean people are faced with the task of restoring the national unity of the Korean State and at the same time, of rehabilitating the national economy destroyed by the war, inflicted upon the Korean people."

"The Government of the USSR wishes the Government of the Korean People's Democratic Republic success in the solution of these great and urgent problems and expresses readiness to grant every possible aid to the long-suffering Korean people in the reorganisation of their peaceful life and the healing of the serious wounds inflicted in the war of bloodshed for the freedom and independence of their motherland."

(Signed) Chairman of the USSR Council of Ministers, Malenkov, Moscow, July 27th.—Reuter.

Federation Bill Approved

London, July 27.

The House of Commons today approved by 288 votes to 145, the Bill setting up a Central African Federation.

The Federation will consist of the self-governing Colony of Southern Rhodesia and the protectorates of North Rhodesia and Nyasaland.

The Bill has now to be signed by Queen Elizabeth to become law. The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, said the Queen would probably sign it on August 1.—France-Press.

Careful Check Being Made

Canberra, July 27.

Applications for visas for Japanese wives of Australian servicemen were checked carefully by the Australian Embassy in Tokyo, it was stated officially today.

Officials were commenting on recent complaints of long delays experienced by Australian servicemen in securing visas for their Japanese wives.

They said in checking applications particular attention was paid to health and to security.

The Embassy in Tokyo also had to satisfy itself about the genuineness of the marriage.—Reuter.

TUNEFUL, TOUCHING, LAVISH & EYE-FILLING!!



TECHNICOLOR

Indian Premier Suggests Regular Talks With Pakistan

Karachi, July 27.

The Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, said today he favoured detailed and frequent consultations between his country and Pakistan on foreign affairs and other matters of common concern.

These consultations could even include discussions on domestic as well as international matters and could be helpful in solving each country's economic and trade problems, Mr. Nehru said at a press conference.

Mr. Nehru, who this morning had his fourth and final talks with the Pakistan Prime Minister, Mr. Mohammed Ali, on outstanding differences between the two countries, said he could not give details of the discussions.

Answering a question whether he favoured a joint Indian-Pakistan Defence Pact, Mr. Nehru said defence was tied up with foreign affairs and would be included in any talks between the two countries.

The policy of India was to promote an atmosphere of peace, and a defence alliance was against this policy, but they strongly favoured an understanding and consultation in all matters including defence.

RIGHT TURNING

On the Korean truce Mr. Nehru said that all parties deserved to be congratulated at putting an end to a "horrible war" which, except for the casualties, misery and destruction, the worst in history, though people called it a "little war."

"By this move the world has taken a turn in the direction of peace though tremendous difficulties lie ahead," Mr. Nehru said.

"We in India got entangled reluctantly in the truce operations. Participating in the exchange and guarding of prisoners is a big responsibility and we don't usually like taking responsibility outside India."

"But it is a great compliment to be asked by the great nations which have been fighting one another."—Reuter.

Adventurous Trio Return

Manila, July 27.

"Ken-tiki" style French seafarers Henri Bourdais, his wife, Jose, and 10-year-old daughter, Michelle, will embark tonight on the French liner, Felix Roussel for Saigon.

Their attempt to return to France by circling the globe from East Vietnam aboard a Vietnamese junk, Iemanja, ended abruptly 21 days after setting out when two typhoons disabled their craft which they managed to beach at Caramoan, in the north-western Philippines, on June 30. They were trying to return to France by way of Manila, Tokyo and the Panama Canal.—France-Press.

Love Wins Day In E. Germany

At last a love film is to be made in Communist-run East Germany! Proudly the East German Film Company announce the film's title: "Little People with Lots of Luck."

This follows universal complaints by cinemagoers in the Soviet Zone that Communist films are dull; that they have no love interest.

Now they are being told by the Communist film company: "After many discussions we have decided on the plot. It will be about young people in love. And who better should be portrayed than a Party activist and his girl, shock workers in a factory? That is what the film is about."

And the rest of the plot? After many lovers' quarrels and setbacks, the young lovers, hard at their shock work, overcome everything and find happiness in the factory.

All this comes after the producer Martin Hellberg was recently awarded the title of "Worker for World Peace," after making a series of films "containing no love, but basic realities."

—Reuter.

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OPENS TO-MORROW

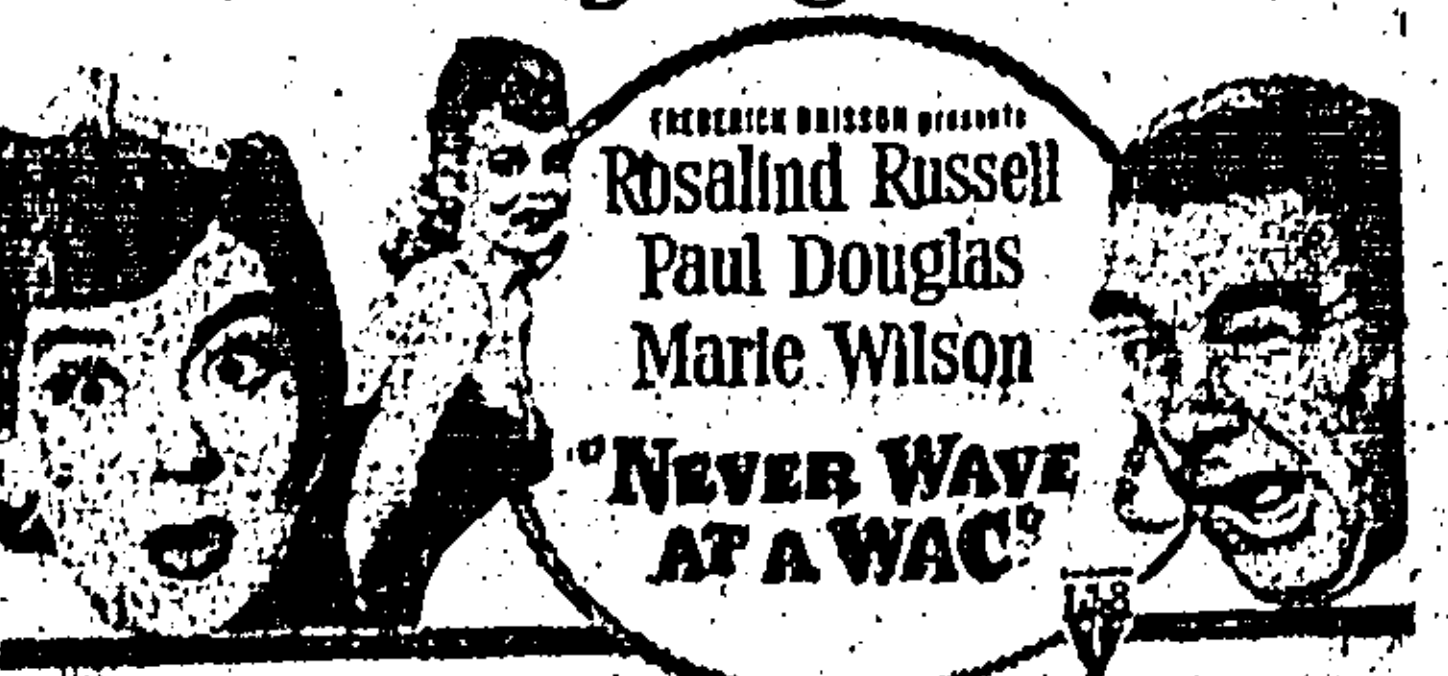
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BUT HEAVEN DIDN'T COME

By Robert Blake

THE British rule in India has vanished for ever. Some day perhaps another Gibbon or Macaulay will tell the story of that extraordinary empire in which for a century and a half a mere handful of Englishmen—the fawn, as Curzon once described them, upon a dark and unfathomable ocean—dominated and pacified an entire sub-continent. Meanwhile, it is worth looking for a moment at the regime which has succeeded to the Pax Britannica.

There is, admittedly, not much Pax about it. The sub-continent is now divided into two nations which survey each other with fear and hatred. But Pakistan is relatively small and weak compared with India, and it is the problem of India which is most urgent and alarming to the rest of the world.

There politics largely turn upon the character of a single man, Pandit Nehru, who behind the forms of democracy governs India today with a rule as absolute as that of any British Viceroy or Mogul Emperor.

His personality has been variously described, usually in a manner which can be predicted by a glance at the political background of the author. It is therefore all the more surprising and significant to read this highly unflattering little portrait by Mr D. F. Karaka. For Mr. Karaka, a well-known Indian journalist, the first Indian to be President of the Oxford Union, belongs to the very class which is normally most friendly to Nehru and all that he stands for. What, then, is his charge against Nehru?

Hindus rule

It is partly the eternal cry of the disillusioned idealist, in this case of those who saw in the eclipse of British rule the arrival of a New Heaven and a New Earth. Naturally nothing of the sort has happened.

Most revolutions are in the last analysis merely the rapid and violent substitution of one governing class for another. That mysterious abstraction, the Indian "people," no more governs itself today than it did when a British Viceroy sat in Delhi.

The only change has been the replacement of a governing class consisting of incorruptible, efficient, if unimaginative British civil servants by one that consists of wealthy westernised high caste Hindu lawyers, intellectuals, and business men.

But Mr Karaka is not merely quarrelling with the course of events. He is concerned with a close personal analysis of Nehru. "There is," he writes, "a certain emptiness in India like me, whom Nehru has let down."

Again: "The tragedy of Nehru has been that India got liberated in his lifetime, and, as its first Prime Minister, it fell upon him to put his own words into effect."

For, if Mr Karaka is right, the real trouble with Nehru is that he has no idea how to translate the rhetorical phrases of opposition into action now that he is in office, no conception what to do with the power that has fallen into his hands.

The Congress Party becomes steadily more corrupt, the condition of the Indian masses gradually deteriorates, the problem of India's role in international affairs becomes ever more acute.

But Nehru (high caste Hindu, proud of his Kashmiri descent and his title of "Pandit," educated at Harrow and Cambridge), remains on a pinnacle far above these mundane problems, wrapped in a fleecy cloud of high-sounding noble abstractions.

On and on and on

Mr Karaka, rather unkindly perhaps, quotes a few specimens of Nehru's recent utterances. "Perhaps there never has been a clean slate, even when people imagined that there was going to be a clean slate. Nevertheless, there could be more or less a clean slate. . . . Maybe I have been affected by recent events, but more and more I have felt that it is wrong to destroy something that is producing something and doing good."

Up and up and up, and on and on and on! Really, as Mr Karaka says, the late Ramsay MacDonald could hardly do better.

However, India's domestic affairs are now India's own concern.

Nothing can excuse the disgraceful policy of Mr Attlee

* Nehru: The Lotus Eater From Kashmir, by D. F. Karaka (Verity, 12s.).



"Sorry, Hutton—sorry, Compton—sorry, everyone—got to watch they don't start swapping cricketers like racehorses."

London Express Service

NEW GENERATION OF JUNGLE WARRIORS

By Lt.-Gen. H.G. Martin

MANY people, both in Britain and in the United States, must have wondered how about 6,000 mainly Chinese terrorists in the Malayan Races Liberation Army have succeeded, year after year, in surviving the attack of the vastly superior forces of law and order deployed against them. The answer is given in a most welcome book which has just been published.

Anti-White

Nehru is no doubt personally anti-Communist, but he is even more anti-white and anti-British and his policy everywhere tends to weaken the front against Communism.

He has refused to join in plans for the defence of Suva. He has steadily encouraged the intransigent nationalism of the Middle East, although this support runs clean against his normal attitude to Moslem sentiment—for example in Kashmir. He regards himself as the defender of the Asiatic races against "imperialism," but he appears to be quite happy that China should have fallen into the orbit of the power of all, Communist Russia.

All—but war. Nor does he confine himself to Asia. He recently declared that White treatment of Africans was "scandalous" and that India would "fight the fight for equality everywhere" by all means short of war, he prudently added. What does Nehru imagine would happen to the Indian minorities in Natal and elsewhere if the White settlers were to vanish and the African masses to be given a free hand?

A sophisticated rhetorician intoxicated by the exuberance of his own verbosity. So Disraeli said of his great rival. No doubt an unfair description of Mr Gladstone. But Nehru?

Enemy Recruiting

THE reason why their Communist enemies have remained so small an active force is plain enough. With the supplies of food, arms and medical comforts available to them, Chang Peng, the Communist leader, and his Central Executive Committee could hardly maintain a larger force in the jungle. So they have been content to make good losses by drafting in replacements from the Min Yuen or secret organisation of Communist sympathisers along the jungle's rim.

Beyond that rim there lies the all-pervading jungle itself, and almost limitless sanctuary that can never be wholly denied to evil-doers. As Gen. Templer said recently: "Food denied to the Communist terrorists is the basis of all our successful operations." It is because the Liberation Army is now so short of food that it is at last having difficulty in maintaining its strength.

'Bearded Wonder'

MAJOR CAMPBELL, the author of "Jungle Green," takes as his theme the long drawn-out duel between the Suffolk Regiment—and particularly his own company of it—and that peculiarly brutal terrorist leader, Liew Kon Kim, nicknamed "The Bearded Wonder." When I visited the Suffolk Regiment at Kajang

in April, 1951, I saw Liew's portrait, complete with beard, displayed in the rogues' gallery in the Combined Operation room.

It was not till June, 1952, that the duel ended with Liew's death and the obliteration of his 4th Independent Company, better known as the Kajang Gang. When, soon after, the Suffolk Regiment completed its 3½ years' tour in Malaya, it had established an anti-bandit record still unsurpassed.

Major Campbell deals with a wide assortment of jungle episodes. The reader will learn what it means to move through jungle swamps at night, and what a game of blindman's-buff our troops, acting on the most meagre of clues, must play with the terrorists. In the moments of extreme peril that punctuate this most monotonous form of warfare, it is nearly always the enemy who is ready to take the first shot. Often he is gone in the twinkling of an eye, leaving behind him nothing but the endless jungle and the whole business to be begun again.

The reader will learn how well our soldiers come to know their business in the jungle; and he will quickly realise that they can shoot—perhaps not as well as their fathers in the Regular Army before them, but much better than the terrorists—and that they know the jungle drill.

Seeking Them Out

WHEN the reader has plodded after Major Campbell and his men on one of their prolonged expeditions, he will begin to realise what a weariness of the flesh such an experience can be. It is then that he will appreciate all that the advent of the helicopter has meant.

Major Campbell describes the R.A.F.'s little S-51 helicopters that came to pick up his casualties or to bring him supplies. He had no chance to meet the Navy's S-55 10-man helicopters, for these—10 in all—were after he had gone. It is these big helicopters, for which we must thank the Americans, that are revolutionising the warfare in Malaya today.

At this present stage, when the hard cases of the Liberation Army have withdrawn deep into the jungle, there to grow their own food with the help of the aboriginal tribes and to bide their time, these S-55s enable our troops to reach in 15 minutes points that were three days distant for Campbell and his men on foot. Thus they make possible all sorts of operations deep in the heart of the jungle—sudden raids maybe or the establishment of so-called "forts" or standing patrols designed to extend our protection to the jungle tribes, and so to deprive the terrorists of their forced labour as tillers of the soil, spies, porters and the like.

On his wandering with Major Campbell the reader will meet

and marvel at these two boons, paludins and anti-typhus tick dressing, which enable the modern soldier to keep smiling in conditions that would have been death to previous generations. As one who has indulged in both malaria and scrub-typhus—or "tick fever" as we used to call it—I have a lively sense of what these two blessings mean.

Captives' Aid

THE reader will meet also that picturesque ruffian Lee Cheng and other members of the S.E.P. or "surrendered enemy personnel," and will thus come to understand how Gen. Templer has since found it possible to form these ex-terrorist Chinese into a "Special Operational Volunteer Force" of great promise.

From the first moment of surrender, it appears, the former terrorist evinces one overwhelming desire, to lead the "running dogs," his new friends, to destroy his former comrades. It may be, as Gen. Templer holds, that these ex-terrorists are "disillusioned with Communism," or is it perhaps that they regard the problem as a simple matter of "kill or be killed." Allies of a different sort are Krabon, the 16-year-old Sakai aboriginal, and Silvo and Brasso, the two Dyak trackers. These three share the honours with the British soldier, who, without their help, would have laboured in vain.

Since the time of which Major Campbell writes, much has happened in Malaya. Col. Arthur Young, Commissioner of the City Police, has reorganised the Federation's police. Maj.-Gen. E. B. de Fonblaque has established his Home Guard, 250,000 strong and of all races, to guard their own villages and so to release both police and military for other duties. Gen. Templer's policy of trusting the Chinese with arms has paid.

Gen. Templer has thus won the first round against the terrorists, but there are still some rounds to go. In some respects, no doubt, fortune has favoured him. Events in Southeast Asia gave him a breathing space; Mao was busy in Korea; the French were still stemming the flood in Indo-China. Initially, too, high rubber and tin prices enabled him to pay the Malayan defence bill. He made good use of his time.

His Aim

FINAL success is dependent on a number of factors, some beyond Gen. Templer's control. If, internally, he can achieve his aim to weld the Federation's 2,600,000 Malays, 2,000,000 Chinese and 600,000 Indians into one Malayan nation, he will have created a united society to which he can prudently devolve an increasing measure of self-government. Then, but only then, can he hope to mobilise public

opinion behind him and so to eradicate the Min Yuen—those secret enemies so much more numerous and intangible than the semi-professional Communist army which they nourish in the jungle. Cut off the Min Yuen, and the Liberation Army would wither in a matter of days.

Major Campbell's book shows what magnificent material the process of trial and error in the Malayan war has forged. Small wonder that, with a spirit such as that displayed by these men, local success is, at long last, on such a scale.

Reason for Hope

IT is achievements such as this, following on the day upon so much bungling and frustration before the Templer epoch, which encourage the hope that victory is in sight; and history teaches that victory against wholly unscrupulous guerrillas is one of the most difficult of military tasks.

This story cannot fail to increase apprehensions lest events outside Malaya should make such skill and sacrifices in vain. Suppose Communist China sought compensation for at least partial failure in Korea by trying to ensure total success in Indo-China; and nothing but the ineffectual barrier of Siam stood in the way of revitalising the Communists in Malaya?

However, sufficient unto the day is the good thereof. What ever happens in the future, it is heartening to learn from this book that the British soldier has not lost his capacity for doing the apparently impossible himself and inspiring the support of others in doing it.

FROM NOW ON... THE SIMPLE LIFE

From Ronald Singleton

NEW YORK. ANN Sheridan, the film actress who found Hollywood too expensive, has moved to Mexico City. "One throws away good money in Hollywood, and it is more than I can do to keep my head above water," she said over lunch in the garden of a little Mexico City restaurant.

Any so the red-haired actress who had one of Hollywood's biggest salaries round about 1939 as the "comph" girl (sex appeal plus comedy) is going to sell her property, prune her staff and live in simple fashion.

"My house in Encino, California, for instance," Ann said, "it costs \$1,000 monthly just for upkeep. That is really ridiculous and it's like everything else in Hollywood. I wouldn't know how much I make a year but I can barely keep going," she added loudly as the parrots in the restaurant garden trilled.

Selling Out

She had already planned to put her 3½ acre estate at Hollywood up for sale. She did not know what she would get for it but all she wanted was a cheaper home where she would not worry about servants. Her staff of seven would have to be cut down, perhaps to one, perhaps dispensed with altogether.

And now the 38-year-old actress, as attractive as ever, asserts that she is aiming to live as simple a life as she did in her native Texas before her sister secretly entered her name in a bathing beauty exhibition which started her film career.

"Lobster? A little avocado?" asked a waiter. "No, just eggs and steak, please," she said.

"You see I don't really like the Hollywood style of life," she commented. "Why, I paid \$142 monthly to an old couple on my staff," she said. "It got so I dared not be late for dinner and I couldn't eat what I wanted even then. I was driving home from the studio once, the petrol ran out and I had to walk a long way home."

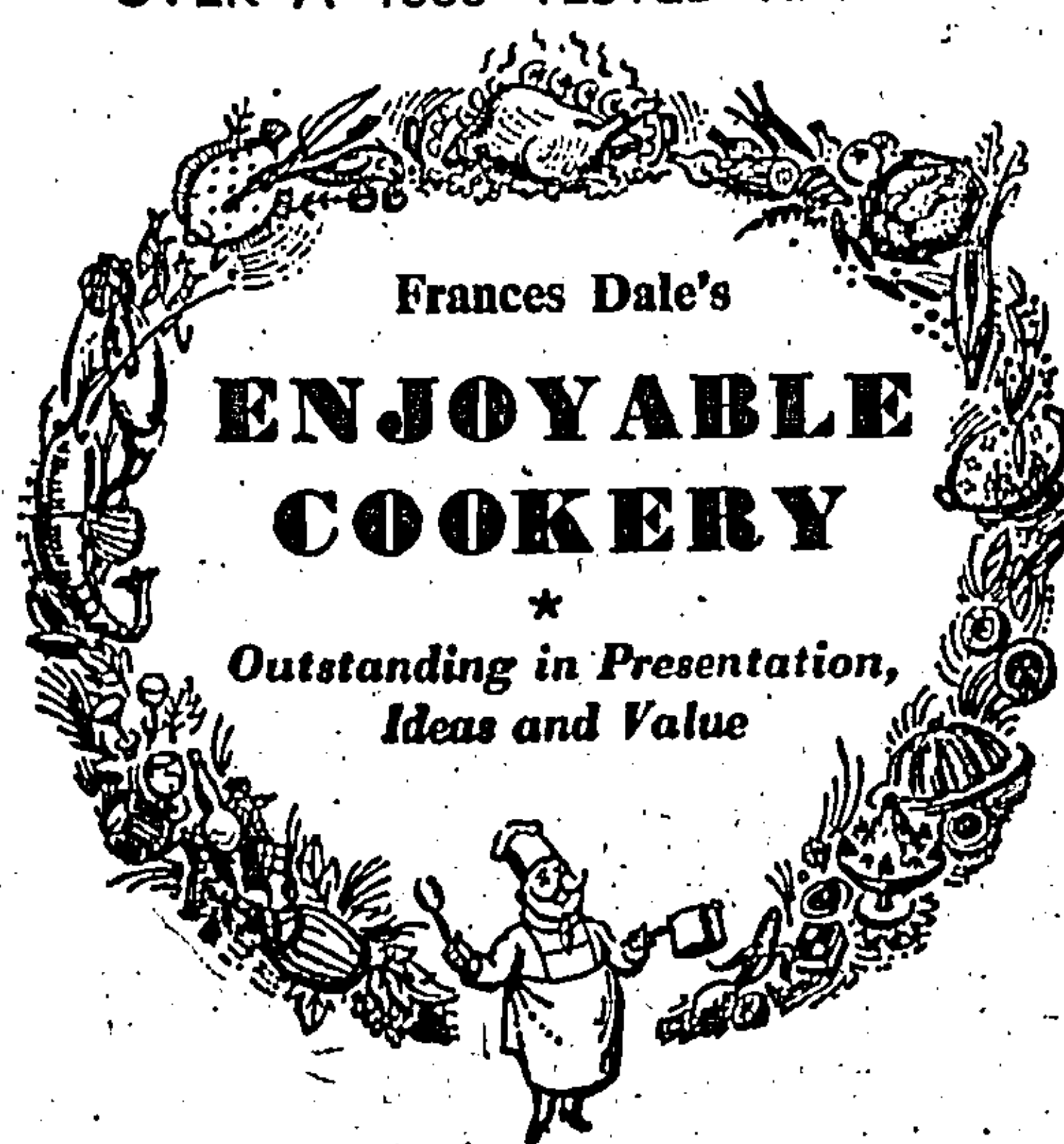
That Ended It

"I spoke sharply—to my man 'keep the car checked.' He sulked and didn't speak for three weeks. We are not domestic," she servants said, "we work for the love of it."

"I was furious. Perhaps that ended Hollywood life for me—huge expenses, expensive house, expensive servants," she said. "Mexico is free of all this and the burdens of the world just drop away here."

And now Ann Sheridan has taken a smart apartment in Mexico City which she says she will run herself. "Who says I'm running away from United States tax paying?" she asked. "I'll be in Hollywood for films and television and I'll pay all the taxes I have to."

OVER A 1000 TESTED RECIPES



The aim of this new Daily Express Cookery Book has been to design palatable and nutritious meals for cooking and eating, and to produce them at a minimum of cost. Whether a quick snack, family meal or special dinner is required, this book has the appropriate recipes with cooking instructions simply explained.

Specialised chapters on invalid cooking, Chinese cooking, old-time recipes, slimming diets and etiquette.

Ten full-colour plates, more than 70 other illustrations.

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HONGKONG AND KOWLOON

ATOMIC TESTS LEAD TO A MALADY THAT PUZZLES

By KAY MURRAY

ATOMIC tests are producing some strange problems and a whole crop of curious and unlooked-for effects, according to reports from America's Far West.

Take New Mexico, once regarded as the back door of the United States, and now the New World's atomic doorstep.

Residents sitting on that doorstep don't altogether appreciate the change. In one part of the State they are suffering from periodic bouts of light-headedness or nausea, which they blame on the top secret tests being conducted 300 miles away in Nevada.

Doctors are puzzled, think it might have resulted from radioactivity, which at times is five times higher than usual.

Cattle are also falling sick with a similar disease.

In another part of New Mexico fruit growers haven't a good word to say for the atomic bomb, insisting that it has ruined their crop.

They point out that three recent atomic tests were followed in each case, 48 to 60 hours later, by a totally unseasonable and heavy frost. Temperatures fell to 24 degrees and the entire apricot and peach crop and half the apple harvest was destroyed.

The U.S. Weather Bureau in Albuquerque dismissed complaints with an airy: "Pure coincidence. We had very unusual weather this year."

Now take the uranium prospectors. Time was when he could go off, swinging his Geiger

counter, for a peaceful day's uranium prospecting with no more thought for the morrow than his forebears who mined silver with a pick.

But today prospectors say that New Mexico is being so bombarded with radiation from the Las Vegas atomic testing ground that a Geiger counter goes nearly frantic.

In Gallup, New Mexico, uranium prospectors grumble that after atomic tests, the radioactivity count jumps so high that a Geiger instrument cannot distinguish between what is going on (atomically speaking) in the air and what's in the uranium ore.

They just have to abandon operations until the atmosphere quietsens down.

The Atomic Energy Commission states that there have been no dangerous concentrations of radioactive particles in any part

of the country outside the controlled Nevada site.

But residents of St George, in the State of Utah, a hundred miles away, recently had more than a ringside seat in an atomic test.

After the "atomic device" was exploded on May 10 at Las Vegas, radioactivity was so heavy in their city that all motor and pedestrian traffic was stopped and everyone on the streets was asked to take cover.

"We spread the word in such a way as not to frighten or alarm people," said Chief of Police Lamb, adding, in one of the most classic understatements of all times: "We just told them they might have to wash their clothing if they remained on the streets."

Residents were told to stay indoors for three hours, and one hundred automobiles were found to be contaminated to such an extent that they had to be washed.

Colonel UP and Mr. DOWN... by Walter



JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Think Straight; Win Bridge Games

By OSWALD JACOBY

"SIMPLICITY is best," remarked my friend and associate, Freddie Shelnold. "Bridge is an easy game, provided that you train yourself to think in straight lines instead of in circles." Freddie has good reason to believe that bridge is an easy game, because his "First Book of Bridge," written for teen-agers in the simplest possible style, has become a national best-seller. To prove his point, Shelnold produced today's hand, played in a practice match by one of his teenage pupils.

The match was played between a team of adults and a team of teen-agers and in both rooms a contract of six spades was reached. The grown-up declarer managed to go down at the slam contract with great speed.

He won the opening lead with the ace of hearts, cashed the king and ace of clubs, and ruffed a low club with one of dummy's low trumps. East over-ruffed and took a heart trick, and that was the end of poor South.

In the other room a teen-age girl was the declarer. She be-

| NORTH | | 29 |
|--------------------|------|---------------|
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| ♥ A 2 | | |
| ♦ Q 7 5 4 2 | | |
| ♣ K 3 | | |
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| ♥ Q 10 6 | | ♥ K J 9 8 5 3 |
| ♦ K J 9 8 | | ♦ 10 3 |
| ♣ Q 10 7 2 | | ♣ 9 8 |
| SOUTH (D) | | |
| ♠ A Q J 10 9 | | |
| ♥ 7 4 | | |
| ♦ A J 6 5 4 | | |
| ♣ North-South vul. | | |
| South | West | North |
| 1 ♠ | Pass | 2 ♠ |
| 3 ♠ | Pass | 4 ♠ |
| 5 ♠ | Pass | 5 ♠ |
| 6 ♠ | Pass | Pass |
| Opening lead—♥ 6 | | |

gan in the same way by taking the ace of hearts—cashing the king and ace of clubs. When she led a third club towards dummy, however, she played dummy's deuce of hearts instead of the deuce of spades!

This play gave the enemy a club trick but robbed them of the heart trick which they would otherwise surely win.

When West was allowed to hold the trick with his ten of clubs, he returned a trump. The young-miss who was playing the South hand won with the nine of spades, ruffed a heart with one of dummy's low trumps (no fear of an over-ruff on this trick as there would have been if she had ruffed a club), and returned to her hand with the ace of diamonds in order to lead a club and ruff with dummy's king.

By this means the teen-age declarer managed to ruff safely twice in dummy—once with a low trump, and the other time with a high trump. This was all that was needed for the contract.

Declarer could now ruff a diamond to enter her hand, draw the rest of the trumps, and cash the last club.

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been: North—East South—West
1 Spade Pass 2 Dms. Pass
2 Spades Pass
You, South, hold: Spades J-8-3, Hearts Q-7-4-2, Diamonds A-Q-J-7-5, Club 9. What do you do?

A—Bid "three" spades. You have excellent trump support for a suit that has been rebid. With your count of 10 points in high cards and 2 points for the singleton you can well afford to extend this delayed take.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades K-Q-3, Hearts Q-7-4-2, Diamonds A-Q-J-7-5, Club 9. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THE best defence I have heard of sponsored television, or, as I prefer to call it, commercial culture, is that it will enable millions of people not only to hear Beethoven's music, but also to make a reasoned choice of toiletpaste. I am told that the advertisement included with the culture will not be blaringly vulgar, as in America, Snibbo, is already training a corps of exquisitely refined young women to announce programmes in a calmly aesthetic manner.

Beauty queen crisis flares

THERE is, I hear, a violent row going on in the Beauty Queen's Union, because one of the Queens, Ivy Codlake of Blithfield, was kissed by the Mayor out of hours. Ivy pleads that, since the kiss occurred forty minutes after she had knocked off queening, in the Town Hall annex, it was an unofficial salute and a private matter. The union retorts that she was wearing her robes at the time, and that the Mayor had his chain of office on. Therefore the kiss was official, and a public matter, and being part of her day's work, it is an official strike!

Write to your M.P. about it

THE scandalous delay in publishing the latest dog-housing figures was brought home to me

when I read that a husband and wife had been evicted from a dog-kennel in which they had lived for a year.

In passing

SOMETHING described as "An art installation of plaster of Paris, wire and tubes on a hundred-weight concrete base" is said to be the most controversial exhibit at an art exhibition. It is, of course, called "Adam," and the sculptor has announced that she has no intention of explaining it to anyone. That, at any rate, is a relief from the usual procedure in these cases.

A stupid blunder

A CORRESPONDENT informs me that his copy of the "List of Unidentified Persons in the Cabinet" is a note saying "All characters in this book are fictitious. There is no intentional reference to anyone living or dead." Complaints that this detracts from its value as a book of reference have, I am informed, led the publisher concerned to withdraw the edition from circulation.

Tail piece

INSECTS disabled by DDT-methyldichlorophosphate will be glad to hear that the "Royal name" Dimorpha has been adopted as a kind of pet name for his powerful systemic activator.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

TUESDAY, JULY 28

BORN today, you have one of those alert, active quick minds. You react to things instantly. Your emotions are very near the surface, and you learn to control them at an early age. You have outstanding dramatic ability and a definite flair for mimicry. You will probably be drawn toward a stage career and find that there is where you will discover your greatest happiness. You are fond of music and have talent. You have a fine speaking voice and a strong might become a powerful singing voice, as well.

You are very frank and sincere and cannot endure a "pose." Stunt and deceit are unknown to you and your outspoken nature cannot cope with the fine points of diplomacy. You have no idea what it means to be "politic." People like you

what you are or you don't care. They can take you or leave you, strictly alone.

Fond of travel, you will wander over the face of the earth. It is possible that you will come into an inheritance toward middle life which could change the entire trend of your life. Although you do have a critical nature, you are usually so right that most people eventually have to agree with you.

In marriage, be very sure that you follow the dictates of your heart. Great happiness—or extreme discontent—could be your lot. But your romantic life is entirely in your own hands.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, visit your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

1. F. O. (July 24-Aug. 23)—Plan something that can be beneficial as well as pleasurable for yourself and someone you love.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Be as agreeable as possible, even though you may disagree with what others have to say!

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Don't let your plans ahead, but your talents and capabilities should be equal to the challenge.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—New ventures need careful consideration today, before you adopt them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—If you want to hold a friend, be sure that whatever you intend you mean it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 23)—When your social life, learn to mix with all kind of people; increase your popularity.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 24-Feb. 19)—Being economical is a very good idea. Don't ruin yourself too much, either!

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Affairs close to the domestic front may need your very careful attention just now. Do a good job.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—If there are problems arising from the past, they will take time today to straighten them out.

TAUROS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Get what you need at present, but do keep a careful eye on your savings account, as well.

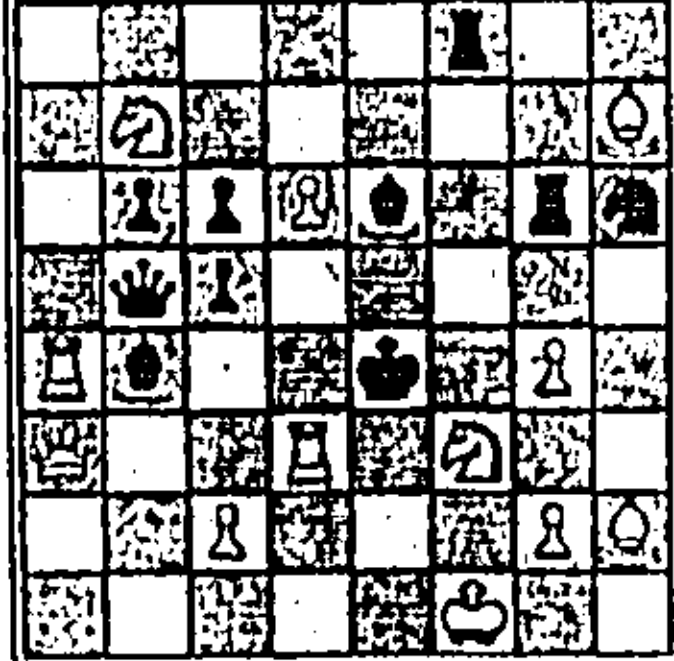
GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Don't get your objective waver just because there may be an obstacle to your plans.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Don't fall for a "gold brick." Be sure that whatever you intend you mean it, for it will worth it.

CHESS PROBLEM

By A. SERVAIS

Black, 10 pieces.



White, 12 pieces.

White to play; mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. K-Q1, any; 2. B (dis ch), or Kt (ch), or dis ch mates.

DUMB BELLS

DO YOU HAVE ANY DRAWING INSTRUMENTS SUCH AS COMPASSES, T-SQUARES AND TRIANGLES?



WHAT'S HER LINE?

Re-arrange the letters of this name.

MADAME BIRCH

—to find her occupation.

(Solution on Page 10)

A Special Topping for Cakes

By ALICE DENHOFF

IT'S easy enough to run up a batch of little cup cakes or a nice layer cake with those wonderful mixes. For the telling touch, make a special topping, like this Bittersweet Frosting.

To frost 24 tiny cup cakes or top and sides of two 8-inch layers, combine one c. each sugar and cocoa and 1/4 tsp. salt in saucepan, then blend in 1/2 c. strong coffee. Cook over low heat, until smooth (about 15 minutes), stirring often. Cool. Beat in 1/2 c. broken nutsmeats and 1/4 tsp. vanilla. Chill until firm. Spread with spatula dipped in hot water.

Filled Pastry

For an interesting sweet bit, mix one c. each honey, chopped raisins and chopped pecans, the juice of one lemon and 4 tbsp. crumbs. Place spoonful of filling on 2-inch squares of pastry. Form into triangles or draw corners to top, pressing edges together. Bake at 325° F. for 25 minutes.

A beauty queen at a budget price is this version of Floating Island.

To serve 6, dice 2 Valencia oranges and place in shallow serving dish. Sprinkle 1/4 c. coconut over top. Prepare one package vanilla pudding according to package directions, but use 1 1/4 c. each orange juice and milk. Pour into the serving dish and cool.

Making Meringue

Beat one egg white until stiff; gradually beat in 2 tbsp. sugar, then add 1/2 tsp. vanilla. Drop meringue by spoonfuls into a shallow baking pan with bottom just covered with hot water. Bake in 350° F. oven about 10 minutes. Remove with slotted spoon; arrange on top of pudding.

Custard is a peach of a dessert since it is good for both young and old and in-between, for invalids and healthy people, and a good way to add to the necessary milk quota. Try this new recipe, which is for 6 servings.

Beat 3 eggs slightly; blend in 1/4 c. molasses, 1/4 tsp. salt and 1/2 tsp. vanilla. Stir in 2 c. milk, scalded. Pour into 6 custard cups. Bake in pan of hot water in 300° F. oven 50 minutes or until knife inserted in centre comes out clean.

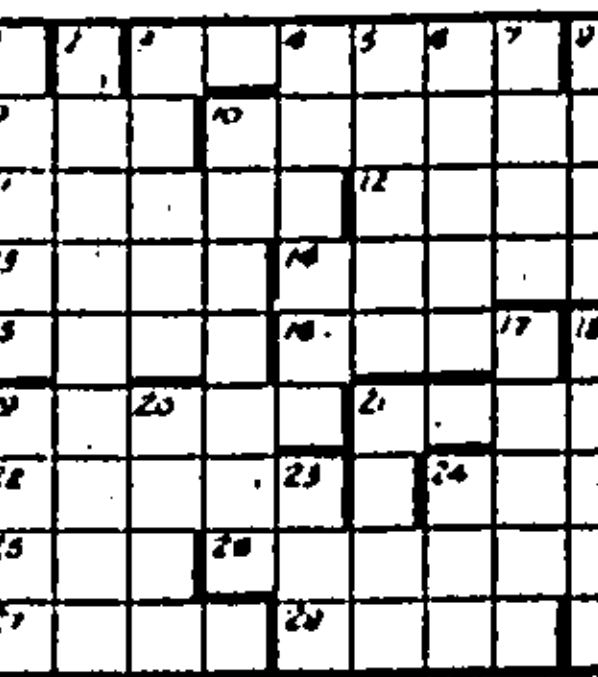
Beauty Device For Lined Face

A new product is designed to perk up the facial beauty of the ladies.

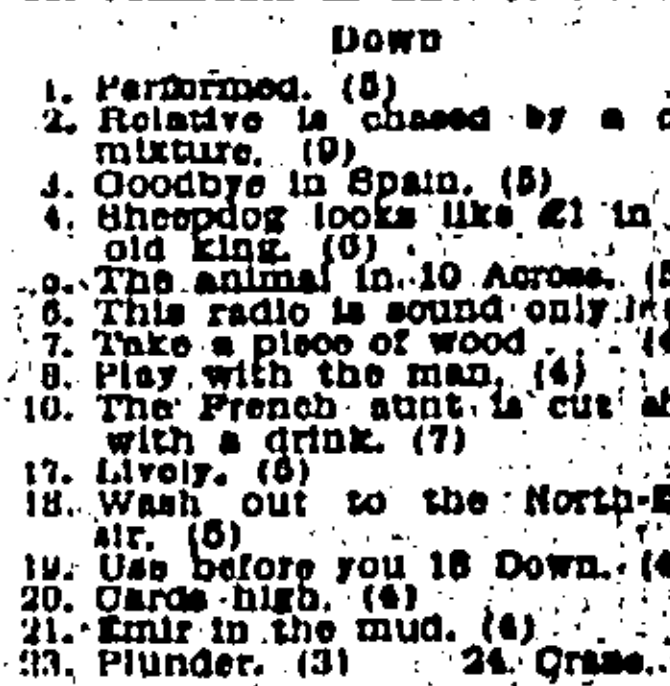
It is a massager composed of sponge rubber rollers and a plastic handle. Run the rollers over your face and neck to help iron out tired lines, puffs and wrinkles, as well as double chins.

Men can use it, too, with best results recommended after shaving.

CROSSWORD



- Across
1. The price of electricity (5)
 2. Boundaries (5)
 3. To be discarded (5)
 4. On the line (5)
 5. A good deed (5)
 6. Hard as a bone (5)
 7. Lacks need attention (5)
 8. Reduplication used to bite it (5)
 9. Give from back farm again (5)
 10. Earn a trap (5)
 11. Wise men (5)
 12. Commemorate (5)
 13. A busy feature (5)
 14. The end of the tale (5)
 15. Get round the oval with manuscript (5)
 16. Venerable in history (5)
- Down
1. Performed (5)
 2. Relative is chased by a crab (5)
 3. Goodbye in Spain (5)
 4. One-eyed looks like 21 in the old line (5)
 5. The animal in 10 Across (5)
 6. This radio is sound only (5)
 7. Take a piece of wood (5)
 8. Play with the man (5)
 9. The French word is cut short with a drink (5)
 10. Lively (5)
 11. Out to the North-East (5)
 12. More you 18 Down (5)
 13. Cards high (5)
 14. Enr in the mud (5)
 15. Plunder (5)
 16. Grass (5)

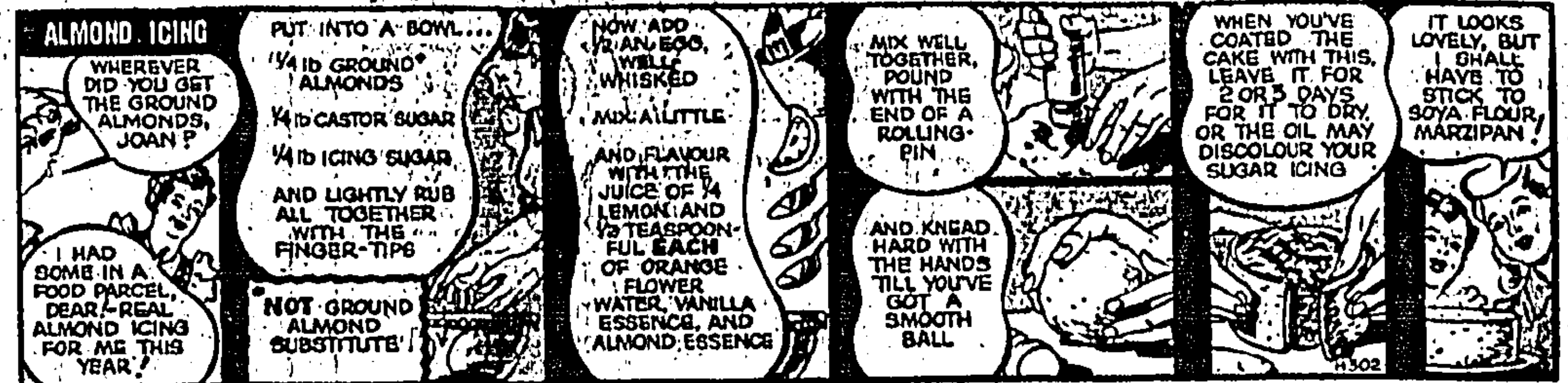


Famous last words: "Hang the expense! These movies of the babies will be priceless to us in the years to come."

SOLUTION TO CHECK YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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WOMANSENSE



Anne Edwards FINDS A SPANISH CUSTOM HAS SPREAD TO OUR BEACHES



BARBARA GOALEN poses for the covered-up beach look, with tight, narrow jeans. (But for men the beach look is as-you-were.)

The bikini is out—the covered look takes over...

WHO would think that a swimsuit could link the names of Frances and Barbara Goalen?

By a chance in a million the Dictator and the Top Model Girl agree on what to wear on the beach.

He says that wispy two-piece swimsuits are out. And she says that wispy two-piece swimsuits are out.

He says that brief shorts are not the thing to wear away from the beach. And she says that brief shorts are not the thing to wear away from the beach.

For, strange to relate, the covered-up look which is an old custom of Spain is a new edict of fashion.

Now the all-in-one swimsuit

Last year the craze was for bikinis. This year the fashion is for all-in-one swimsuits with broad shoulder straps and sometimes bloomers.

Last year the craze was for short black shorts. This year the fashion is for tight narrow jeans.

Last year the craze was for strapless boned bodices in black. This year the fashion is for sweaters that reach to your throat and come down to your wrists, and for smocks in brilliant emerald, sapphire, or violet, which have thick knitted polo collars and knitted cuffs.

It's mad—but it has its own kind of charm.

Poor Franco, he's right out of date. He still thinks that it's wearing too little on the beaches that turns people's heads. When all the smart girls know that this summer it is far more eye-catching to wear rather too much.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Mr. Earthworm Has A Garden

—But You Have to Look Up, Not Down, to See It!

By MAX TRELL

MR. EARTHWORM, dressed in a new brick-brown jacket, was leaning out of the chimney of his underground house beside the white stone near the garden wall. He tipped his hat as Knarf and Hand, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, came near.

"Good morning, Mr. Earthworm!" they replied. "How is your garden getting on?"

"Splendidly. Would you like to see it?"

"Of course."

"Then come right down. Follow me. Be careful not to trip down the stairs. I'll get a light in a moment. Hello there! Glow! Where are you, Glow?" he called down to someone.

The shadow-children heard a voice answering from below. "I'm here, Cousin, at the foot of the stairs."

"Then put on your light. We have company."

The next instant, Knarf and Hand, who had let themselves down the chimney, saw a tiny, glowing light a little ways below them. It was the Glowworm.

"Glow is very handy to have around," Mr. Earthworm ex-

plained. "He always has a light with him. Ah—here we are at the bottom. The garden is just a few wriggles beyond."

Lit the Way

They were in a narrow passageway. Glowworm went on ahead, lighting the way, and the two shadow-children and Mr. Earthworm followed him. Suddenly they turned a corner and entered a big cave.

Mr. Earthworm stopped. "Now what do you think of my garden? Isn't it beautiful?"

"We don't see any garden," Mr. Earthworm, the shadow-children said hesitantly. Nothing seemed to be growing in the cave at all! The ground was perfectly bare.

Mr. Earthworm frowned for a moment, then all at once he began laughing. Cousin Glow began laughing, too.

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Glowworm stood on his head to light up the garden.

curious upside-down garden, with rows of roots instead of rows of stems and leaves.

"Oh, but just wait until you see it later on," Mr. Earthworm promised. "The best of a garden doesn't always show above ground. You'll see my potatoes, and carrots, and beets and onions. No one above ground ever sees them until they pull them up. But I see them while they're growing. Now, tell me, isn't it a beautiful garden?"

"Yes, indeed," said Knarf and Hand.

And it really was, in its own upside-down way!

AND IN SWIM-STYLE



Barbara Goalen again, with the swim-style look. No bikini... just a severe, practical one-piece to please the most critical beach eye.

Household Hints

A quick remedy for a ripped hem, when you're in a hurry or without needle or thread, is a piece of cellulose tape. Finger-press it over and above the hem. This will stay in place but can be removed quickly when you have time to mend the garment in the regular manner.

Spilled medicine and cosmetics are less likely to stain shelves in the bathroom cabinet if the surfaces are waxed. Bottles and jars won't stick to the waxed parts during damp weather.

A cheesecloth bag, attached to an old embroidery hoop, is an excellent strainer for jelly making.

Another new

"Adventure"—

RUPERT

and the

BOY

PIRATE

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Rupert and the Bad Dog—35



Feeling pleased to have found the umbrella and the string bag Rupert hurried home. "I've wanted some time in that cave," he thought. "I must hurry if I'm to catch up with Podgy." So he kicks his ball and makes good speed. But his friend must have

happened, too, for when Rupert reached Mrs. P's cottage Podgy had already arrived with his little cousin, and is running out again. "Oh, Rupert," he cries. "We are so anxious about Rosalie. She just won't wake up, so I'm going to fetch Dr. Lion."

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The Fourth Test EVERYTHING DEPENDS ON THE STATE OF THE WICKET AT HEADINGLEY TODAY

Leeds, July 28.
The fourth Test match was left in an interesting position when stumps were drawn yesterday, with England 78 runs ahead with five wickets in hand.

The scoreboard at the end of the fourth day's play read:
England, 1st innings—167.
Australia, 1st innings—266.
England, 2nd innings—177 for five.

Heavy Rain Disturbs County Cricket Matches

London, July 27.
Heavy rain showers affected all the County Cricket Championship matches today.

Between showers at Trent Bridge, Bruce Dooland, Nottinghamshire's Australian-born leg-spinner, accomplished one of the finest bowling performances of the day, claiming six Yorkshire wickets for 59 runs.

Lancashire, Yorkshire were all out in less than three hours for 114 and followed on 183 runs in arrears. They rallied in their second knock, however, and Frank Lawson and Harry Halliday put on 41 for the opening partnership without being separated.

Middlesex, the County leaders, were badly hit by rain. Only two hours play was possible in the match against Glamorgan at Cardiff where no start was possible until early evening.

During that time Middlesex lost their remaining five wickets for 90 runs and were all out for

207. The most they can hope for tomorrow is a first innings lead.

Sussex, lying second in the table, took first innings points from Kent but with only two runs to spare. Kent looked assured of the lead when their second wicket went down at 22. Then only 47 runs were needed but the remaining eight wickets crashed for the addition of 44. Between the showers and in uncertain light, Sussex lost two second innings wickets and finished 44 ahead.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

Close of play scores in first class cricket matches today were:
At Chesterfield: Derbyshire 130, Lancashire 114 for two. Rain restricted play.
At Northampton: Northamptonshire 359 for six declared (Grenville not out 93, Broderick 53), Hampshire 110 for two (Walker not out 60). Stumps were drawn early owing to rain.
At Birmingham: Essex 187, Warwickshire 70 for one. Rain restricted play.
At Hastings: Sussex 207 and 42 for two; Kent 263 (Hearn 114, Pacey 88, James, right-arm medium, six for 80).
At Worcester: Worcestershire 108 for eight declared and 52 for two; Leicestershire 271 for six declared (Palmer, 55, Tompkin 55, Smithson 62). —Reuter.

EXTRA DAY'S PLAY FOR FINAL TEST?

London, July 28.

The English Cricket Board of Control may be asking the Australian Board for an extension of the playing time in the fifth and final Test between England and Australia if the fourth Test at Leeds ends in a draw.

Mr Ronald Aird, Secretary of the MCC, issued a statement yesterday saying: "No action will be taken until the result of the present match is known. In the event of a draw the Board of Control will consider whether a message will be sent to the Australian Board suggesting one extra day for the fifth Test match in order to increase the chances of a definite result to the series."

The first three Tests ended in draws. If all five were drawn, Australia would retain the Ashes. —Reuter.

"Affront Against A British Dominion"

Melbourne, July 27.

The Victorian Soccer Council plans a protest campaign against the Victorian Football League following the League's refusal to allow the touring Hongkong Eastern soccer team to use the Melbourne Cricket Ground for matches on August 22 and August 29.

Delegates to the Council meeting tonight protested against "this affront against British Dominion by the League." They suggested letters to members of Parliament and the Governor General, Sir William Slim.

The Hongkong team is still scheduled to play matches in Victoria but they will have to be played at alternative grounds with less grandstand accommodation. —Reuter.



"After such a shaming example yesterday, you can't let a little rain stop us."

SPORTS SURVEY

By "All Rounder"

Football by Flares... All this talk about football by floodlight as if it were something specially new does not in the least impress Jack West, landlord of the New Inn, Enderby, Leicester. No wonder, for Jack played at outside-left for Leicester Fosse in a night match with Blackburn Rovers at Burton-on-Trent on November 5, 1908, and he has a gold medal to prove it.

Illumination came from paraffin flares suspended from high poles. Jack cannot recall the result, or the special reason for the game, but the fact that it was Guy Fawkes' Night suggests that it was a contribution to the local fireworks display.

No Sport For A Weekling... Thanks largely to the energetic work of Mr John Walters, Secretary of the Welsh Archery Association and for the last 6 years Welsh open champion, archery is enjoying a sweeping revival in Wales. From a couple of pre-war clubs the total is now past thirty, 20 being in South Wales.

Foundation of this splendid progress has been the "missionary" work done by the Association under the Central Council of Physical Recreation. Hundreds of miles have been covered, bringing this ancient sport to the people at various outdoor events.

Recently Walters, novice champion Fred Sapleton of Rhondda, Walter Abbott, Llanelly, and Kenneth Guest, Llanelly, demonstrated a York round of two dozen arrows. Walters delighted the crowd with consistent bull's eye accuracy. Shooting was at 50 yards' range. With 6ft. classical bows being employed, this was the equivalent of each archer drawing 5½ tons weight across his chest.

Wembley Speed Aces... Unheard of speeds are likely to be attained at Wembley in the Scouts' national "soap-box cycle derby" in September. Near favourite to win is 14-year-old Tony Kennedy, from the Bedfordshire village of Wadwell, near Coventry, in his "La Fleche d'Or" with an ominous 13 painted on the bonnet.

So far Tony has swept aside all provincial opposition in eliminating rounds. He has spent months of hard work after school hours building his "rattler" from pieces of cycles, frames and valve-cods and nuts.

Everything depends on the state of the wicket today—last day of play.

Should the pitch improve overnight, then England might last long enough to prevent Australia having enough time to score the necessary runs for a win.

On the other hand, should the wicket deteriorate, then success could be within England's power, despite their slender lead.

A win for Australia in this match would ensure them retaining the Ashes, as only one more Test remains to be played.

The partnership yesterday between Edrich and Compton was halted 75 minutes before lunch through a thunderstorm, but play resumed promptly in the afternoon.

UNTIL LINDWALL

Despite frequent bowling changes and with many balls lifting nastily, Edrich and Compton defied the Australian attack until the new ball—and Lindwall—arrived.

In his second over Lindwall sent Edrich an away swinging half-volley and the ball flew from the edge of the bat to De Courcey who made a great catch. Edrich batted splendidly for four hours in hitting 64, 40 of which came from boundary hits.

Compton, too, was playing one of his best innings, and just after three hours reached 50 for the second time in the series.

But Australia pressed home their advantage when Miller had Willie Watson and Reg Simpson caught off successive deliveries, and half the England side was out for 171.

At the close, when England were 177 for five, Compton, who had batted for nearly four hours without giving a chance, had reached 60, including six fours. —Reuter.

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SO BOKING

Naturally, the Australians folded up in their batting. England actually won in four days but the timeless Test approach in our innings destroyed most of the competitive spirit in the match.

Frankly, many of the crowd were bored with it all. So were we.

An even worse game took place at Durban in March 1939. If ever there was a farce at cricket, this was it.

With England leading 1-0 in the rubber (the first, second, and fourth games were drawn), the fifth Test was to be played to

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR



Lord Goddard (Lord Chief Justice of England) presenting Jim Peters, the England Marathon runner, with the Sportsman of the Year Trophy (presented by Sporting Life) at the Metropolitan Police Sports at Crickfield Track, Ilford, Essex.

To Label Drawn Test Matches As Dreary Is Mere Nonsense

Says DENIS COMPTON

I become just as annoyed as my fellow cricketers when some folk, who rarely see a cricket match, put forward peculiar notions about how the game should be played.

Take this summer's Test series. The cry has already gone up for arrangements to be made for a "play-to-a-finish at the Oval if the Leeds Test, like the first three, is drawn and the "rubber" is undecided.

Australia holds the mythical Ashes. She is entitled to keep them if she prevents England winning them back just as a boxing champion retains his title until such time as he is beaten.

If a challenger holds him to a draw the champion usually agrees to another bout—in cricket the challenger gets his chance in the next series—but not to an extension of the last round till one man is knocked out!

In any case I think it might be better to wait and see what happens at Leeds.

You do not hear people asking for the teams to play indefinitely for a winning goal when the scores are level at half-time in a Soccer match. Why should cricket be different?

Even if the next two Tests are drawn, I have little doubt they will provide more interest and excitement for spectators as well as players than two of the most famous "timeless" Tests in cricket history.

I played in the first, against Australia at the Oval in 1938, and, pleased as we were to win, few of the England players enjoyed the experience as a game of cricket.

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NOT PROVED
To my mind, the case that five days are not enough for Test cricket is not proved. Nowadays batsmen and bowlers are much more on an equal footing than they were, because of less perfect pitches, and, given suitable weather, I am sure many more five-day Tests will be finished than otherwise.

Even if they are not I shall not change my opinion. Some of the most memorable matches in which I have played have been drawn.

THE GAMBOLS



BRITAIN MAY HAVE A NEW WOMEN'S BREAST STROKE SWIMMING CHAMPION

London, July 27.
Britain may have a new women's breast stroke swimming champion this season. If rumours that the holder for the past three years, Scots lass Eleanor Gordon, is to take a rest from Championship swimming, prove to be true.

Swimming sources here say that she has been advised by her father and coach Guy Gordon, to take a rest from the championship round, and that she is not expected to compete in this year's Amateur Swimming Association Championships.

Gordon has every reason to feel proud of her daughter whose swimming career he has steered throughout its six-year duration, which included three years as Junior Champion before her three-year tenure as Senior Champion.

Eleanor took part in two Olympic Games, was Britain's only swimming medalist at Helsinki, and is confidently expected to retain the Empire title at the Empire Games in Vancouver next year.

After that, according to her father, it is wedding bells and a retirement from Championship swimming.

The most likely successor to Miss Gordon as British Champion appears to be either Londoner Valerie Harris or Jean Wrigley from Lancashire.

Both girls were in the Olympic team and both are close on Miss Gordon's heels in swimming events this season. Miss Harris, in her third year of Championship swimming, holds one win over Eleanor, in the Olympic trials last year. Jean Wrigley is the holder of the English 100 Yards Breast Stroke record.

SAFE TIDING

While the women's tide in the forthcoming British National Championships looks like becoming more open, the men's breast stroke event, following the separation from the ordinary stroke of the "butterfly" stroke, looks like a safe thing for electrician Peter Jervis who won it last year.

Jervis, one of the few top line swimmers who have stuck to the old style of swimming in breast stroke, appears to have the field more or less to himself. Exponents of the "butterfly", such as Brian

Soccer Players To Get A Wage Rise

London, July 27.

Britain's professional soccer players, who every Saturday in the winter draw wages totalling around £1,000,000 are to get a rise, it was decided today.

Their maximum weekly wage during the playing season is to be increased from £24.15.6 to £26.15.6, and during the summer months from £10 to £12.

Players picked for international games will get £50 in future instead of £20 as at present. The increase is effective from July 1 this year. —Reuter.

THE ABSOLUTE END

By HENRY LONGHURST

I have received simultaneously gifts from both sides of the Atlantic; the one symbolic, by a coincidence, certainly of the beginnings of golf, the other, as many may feel, of the absolute end. The latter is in the form of a newspaper cutting, accompanied by the laconic observation "progress!"

"Golf mobiles," it reads, replacing on some courses. Equipped with gasoline or battery-driven motors, the motorized carts transport up to four players between shots. Latest course to get them is Cleveland's Manakiki Club, which bought six. They will be rented to golfers at five dollars for an 18-hole round."

OUT OF THE BLUE

The other gift, a pearl of great price, comes out of the blue from the widow of the late and great Horace Hutchinson and consists of his own presentation copy to her of his book "Fifty Years of Golf." It ought to be compulsory reading for the present generation of golfers brought up to take for granted the factory-made, 21-a-piece clubs with their ridiculous little hats, the cabin-trunk bags, and the country club swimming pools.

How fascinating it is to wander back in the mind to the dim ages of golf as we know it—can it really be only eighty-odd years ago? To the days when old General Moncrieffe from St. Andrews strode with the fair across the Barrow at Northam and observed that Providence had clearly designed it for a golf course; and the little sandy-haired boy, J. H. Taylor, used to come up to the house to clean Master Horace's shoes, giving them an extra polish for the greatest amateur in England—and to the devil with Hoylake's John Ball.

The place had not even been christened Westward Ho! in those days. They used to drive out to the present third tee because it was only eighty-odd years ago.

Deep Water Bay Championship On Sept. 13

Entry lists will shortly be posted on the Royal Bournemouth Golf Club House Notice Boards for the receipt of entries for the Deep Water Bay, 1953, Championship and Cup.

The Championship will be played over 36 holes on Sunday, September 13, a trophy being awarded to the champion returning the lowest scratch score. The Deep Water Bay Cup (formerly the Happy Valley Championship Cup) will be contested for on the same date. This is a Medal competition played over 18 holes on three quarters of Fanning Handicap. Handicaps will be deducted from the raw turns handed in for the first 18 holes of the Championship. The lowest net score wins; the lowest net score wins; the lowest net score wins.

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FANLING SCORES

The best Medal scores in Fanling during the week-end were returned by the following:

Old Course (8.5.5.19) D. L. Anderson 75—2.20. P. A. N. Anderson 90—10.5.7.1. New Course (8.5.5.21) G. A. McClean 84—14.7.0.4.

HANDICAP REVISIONS

F. N. Kent reduced 16 previous 17. P. A. Anderson reduced 10 previous 24. J. W. (Hampshire) reduced 23. J. A. Anderson added 24.

HKASF Meeting

Constant interruptions by Mr. Ma Man-fai over the definition of certain words and phrases marked a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Hongkong Amateur Sports Federation, held at the VRC yesterday, to discuss the new Constitution.

Both the Chairman, Mr. J. Skinner, and the Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. de O. Sales, attempted to make explanations to Mr. Ma, some of which were accepted by the latter and others were held over for further consideration.

What was termed a controversial point in the Constitution—whether the Chinese YMCA, South China AA and the VRC should accept honorary membership in the Federation as a gesture for their services to sport in Hongkong—was argued at length.

It was finally proposed by the Chairman, on the suggestion of Mr. Sales, that a letter be sent to each of these clubs to ascertain their views. Their replies would be announced at the next meeting of the Committee, said the Chairman.

When only one page of a six-page draft Constitution had been discussed after two and a half hours, the Chairman adjourned the meeting to Monday, August 10, amid strong protests by Mr. Ma who proposed that the Committee elect another Chairman and the meeting end on. The proposal was defeated by a majority vote.



Miss Helen Kwong, who is to compete in the Malayan Badminton Championships.

Helen Kwong To Compete In Malayan Championships

By "ARGONAUT"

Helen Kwong, the Colony Ladies' Singles and Ladies' Doubles badminton runner-up, leaves for Singapore tomorrow by air to have a shot at the Malayan Championships which are due to begin at Kuala Lumpur on August 21.

Taking up the game only about five years ago, Helen came into prominence in the Hongkong badminton world when she and D. C. Lau won the Colony Junior Mixed Doubles title in 1949.

She has made great strides since and has reached the final of the Ladies' Singles event on two successive occasions. At the beginning of this year she was defeated very narrowly by Ullian Khoo after a close and thrilling final.

She took part in the Ladies' Doubles and Mixed Doubles events at the unofficial World Championships at Kuala Lumpur last year.

With Singapore's Leong May-Ping as her partner she reached the final in the Ladies' Doubles but bowed out to Cecilia Samuel and Queenie Cheah.

She partnered Malayan Thomas Cupper Lim Kee-fong in the Mixed Doubles, and the pair were eliminated only after a hard-fought three set match by Cheong Hock-ling and Mrs. Teo Sang.

Helen hopes to partner Ong Poh-lim in the Mixed Doubles and Helen Fong in the Ladies' Doubles in the forthcoming Malayan Championships. Commenting on the prospects of her chances, she modestly conceded that it is not likely that she will go far. In the Championships, but thinks that the experience and lessons to be gained there would be valuable in improving her game.

Helen will not officially represent Hongkong in view of the recent ruling of the Malayan Badminton Association that the Malayan Championships will be strictly a national one, but will probably go under the banner of Singapore where she is an honorary member of the Lucky Strike Badminton Party.

IBF MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the International Badminton Federation was held on July 1 at London. Thirteen national organisations were represented, including Hongkong which was represented by one of their Hon.

Vice-Presidents, Mr. Denis H. Hazell.

The proposal from the Badminton Association of Malaya that the Thomas Cup be competed for every three years instead of every two years was defeated. The main reason given being that the Thomas Cup competition more than once in three years would be too great a strain on the finances of the participating countries.

The Committee of Management of the next Thomas Cup contest has agreed to the proposal of the BMA that the next challenge should take place in Malaya or dates between mid-May and mid-June, 1955.

Furthermore, the Committee have increased the number of zones for preliminary play. There were only three zones in past competitions—Pacific, European and American.

The Pacific Zone as such will not exist, but there will be two additional zones to be known as the Asiatic Zone and the Australasian Zone.

Unless otherwise agreed between competing nations, all ties in the Asiatic Zone must be played within the confines of Asia and all ties in the Australasian Zone within the confines of Australasia.

At the IBF general meeting the proposal by the New Zealand Badminton Association to institute an International Ladies' Championship was approved in principle, and the Executive Committee was instructed to circulate draft proposals and regulations for further consideration next year.

Another important decision made at the meeting was the insertion of a new law to cover continuous play, and rule 22 now states "Play shall be continuous from the first service till the match be concluded; except that (a) in countries where climatic conditions render

it desirable, there shall be allowed, subject to the previously published approval of the national organisation concerned, an interval not exceeding five minutes between the second and third games of a match, either singles or doubles; and (b) when necessitated by circumstances not within the control of the players, the umpire may suspend play for such a period as he may consider necessary."

IDEA FOR THE HKITA

According to a report from Malaya, Australian tennis stars may take part in this year's Malayan Tennis Championships if satisfactory terms can be arranged.

The initiative has been taken by the Lawn Tennis Association of Australia which has suggested that two players—not named, but of "Wimbledon quality"—should visit Malaya this year.

It is understood that terms asked are \$4,000 for each player. The Malayan Lawn Tennis Association will probably agree to these terms—though the question of amateur status seems to be involved—provided the Australian players are of top calibre.

The Hongkong Annual Tennis Championships during the past few years could not be said to have attracted large crowds. Interest in last year's championship in particular was at a disappointingly low ebb.

It would give the Annual Championships here the much needed boost if the HKITA would consider approaching the Australian LTA to allow the same two players to come over to Hongkong and take part in the Hongkong Championships.

The Hongkong Championships will take place after the Malayan Championships and in view of the savings on round-trip fares, both Singapore and Hongkong could come together in the matter of terms.

BOXING PROMOTION REACHES ITS LOWEST EBB IN BRITAIN IN 30 YEARS

London, July 27.

British boxing has reached one of the most crucial stages in its existence and the signposts which used to point the way to Britain from all corners of the world and which made London the Mecca of the fistic art are now pointing in every other direction.

Over 50 percent of Britain's boxing promoters have left the sport during the last 15 months and nearly 150 fewer boxing programmes have been put on this year compared with last. These figures, issued by the British Boxing Board of Control, prove that the sport has now reached its lowest ebb in Britain for nearly 30 years.

Among the reasons advanced for this sudden drop in interest in Britain are increased taxation, lack of money among the fighting public and counter-attractions now competing with the sports.

But most sources agree that the crippling entertainment tax levied upon the sport in 1952 is gradually stripping the boxing scene of all the top notch fighters seen in this country in recent years.

JUST ABOUT IMPOSSIBLE

Small time promoters have found it just about impossible to carry on with the tax the way it is—and they are shutting up shop so fast that local youngsters just can't find anywhere to fight.

In most small halls the promoter normally budgets on a "gate" of around £200. He used to pay £100 tax, but he now pays £200. Promoters used to bank on clearing a profit of around £50 to £75 pounds on each show before the new taxation—so they are now running at about £50 loss, and most of them can't afford to do it.

One well known producer of small fighting bills in Northern England said recently that he's lucky if he clears £20 on a show now. Most other promoters are content to break even. Promoters normally pay around £300 to the fighters appearing on their bills. The prize money, which is approximately the same as the fighters received before World War II, has not taken a nose-dive yet, but some sources are suggesting that it is time the boxers took a percentage of 50 to 60 per cent of the show, thus being paid according to what they draw. Perhaps, these sources say, there would then be an increase both in shows and in talent.

At the other end of the scale, glamorous title fights are likewise in a bad way. World Bantamweight Champion Jimmy Carruthers is reported ready to fight British Champion Peter Keenan in Britain for £7,000, and Keenan is reported willing to settle for £1,500.

HEFTY HELPING

Simple, you say? Well, on top of that comes a hefty helping of

tax, and the promoter then needs £11,500 to pay the purses of the two fighters. Then he must allocate at least £1,000 for the rest of the bill—plus about another £350 in tax—and add overheads of various descriptions.

Only Jack Solomons, who lays claims to the world's greatest promoter's title, can afford to risk £20,000 on a promotion of this kind, and consequently they become fewer and fewer.

Even Solomons, who gives himself the title "Mister Boxing" in Britain, has been compelled to run several of his big shows for charity recently. Charity shows are not taxed. Little halls, of course, do not put on title fights, but they benefit from the increased interest such fights create—and that's why only seven British title bouts were decided last year. There will be no more this year because there is such a dearth of good talent that nobody is available to fight the Champions.

After Cliff Curvis relinquished the welterweight title and retired from the ring earlier this year, the Boxing Board of Control matched Peter Fallon with Wally Thom, the man he had beaten in an eliminator for Curvis' title. There was no one else available.

When Frank Johnson lost his lightweight title because he was overweight, Joe Lucy was called on to fight against Tommy McGovern, whom he had beaten a few months before, for the vacant title.

Don Cockell has no one to challenge him in the heavyweight division, and Randolph Turpin has not defended his Middleweight Championship in three years.—United Press.

CRC Win Men's "C" Division Tennis League Title For The Fourth Year In A Row

Playing their second last scheduled match yesterday, Chinese Recreation Club defeated Kowloon Indian Tennis Club decisively by 8-1 to retain the Men's "C" Division Tennis League title for the fourth year in succession.

The Champions complete their season tomorrow with a final match against Craigengower Cricket Club.

All the CRC combinations came through yesterday's match undefeated and KITC obtained their solitary point from two drawn games.

South China, who are vying with Kowloon Tong Club for the runners-up position, gained a comfortable 7-2 win over Hongkong University. H. Lee and W. T. Ho showed up well among the losers, being responsible for both the points for the University.

In the same division, Recreio, sparked by fine three-set wins by J. A. Soares and J. A. Marquinhos, gained a good 6-2-2½ win over Ladies' Recreation Club.

THE SCORES
Men's "C" Division
KITC (1) CRC (8)
U. S. Munt and Yaqub Khan (KITC) lost to P. F. Chow and

Y. Y. Lam 3-0; drew with Y. W. Lee and C. P. Ho 6-0; lost to Ho Ka-lau and D. C. Luk 2-6.

Dawood Khan and S. Yusuf (KITC) lost to Chow and Lam 4-6; lost to Lee and C. P. Ho 4-6; drew with Ho and Luk 6-6.

Y. J. Khan and Firdos Khan (KITC) lost to Chow and Lam 2-6; lost to Lee and C. P. Ho 2-6; lost to Ho and Luk 1-6.

SCAA (7) HKU (2)
Y. K. Ng and Peter Ng (SCAA) beat A. Yeow and P. K. Poh 7-5; lost to H. Lee and W. T. Ho 5-7; beat S. B. Yue and G. Low 6-1.

K. C. Wong and P. W. Tsang (SCAA) beat Yeow and Poh 6-0; lost to Lee and Ho 3-6; beat Yuo and Low 6-1.

P. F. Shao and K. W. Shao (PFA) beat Yeow and Poh 6-1; beat Lee and Ho 6-1; beat Yuo and Low 6-1.

RECREIO (6½) LRC (2½)
J. A. Soares and J. A. Marquinhos (Recreio) beat J. Braine and J. Haalobos 6-3; drew with H. Ayres and E. Rawlings 6-6; beat J. Kite and T. Hill 6-4.

L. Oliveira and W. Lawrence (Recreio) beat Braine and Haalobos 6-2; lost to Ayres and Rawlings 4-6; lost to Kite and Hill 3-6.

P. P. Botelho and S. Colacao (Recreio) beat Braine and Haalobos 6-1; beat Ayres and Rawlings 6-4; beat Kite and Hill 6-4.

IRO (4) KCO (5)
S. E. M. Bux and I. Kitchell beat A. V. White and T. Fenton 6-4; beat H. de Silva and A. Abbas 6-2; beat G. Ellington and C. Soetens 6-4.

Mi. Samy and S. A. R. Bux (IRO) lost to White and Fenton 2-6; lost to de Silva and Abbas 3-7; beat Ellington and Soetens 6-3.

A. R. Sufiad and F. A. Curreen (IRO) lost to White and Fenton 1-6; lost to de Silva and Abbas 2-6; lost to Ellington and Soetens 2-6.

HKCC (1) KTGCA (8)
F. A. Weller and D. Bacon (HKCC) lost to P. P. Kho and C. S. Ling 3-6; beat A. Chan and J. K. Tung 6-4; lost to A. Raymond and L. Chen 4-6.

C. P. Rowe and B. I. Bickford (HKCC) lost to Kho and Ling 1-6; lost to Chan and Tung 1-6; lost to Raymond and Chen 6-0.

DCC (9) PORO (0)
D. Hill and B. Flaxman (DCC) lost to Kho and Ling 1-6; lost to Chan and Tung 1-6; lost to Raymond and Chen 6-0.

W. Gillies and L. Sung (CCC) beat N. C. Wong and H. C. Wu 6-4; beat K. W. Wong and C. T. Lim 6-4; beat F. Lin and N. D. Wong 6-2.

O. Sadleir and P. V. Yapp (CCC) beat Wong and Wu 7-5; beat Wong and Lim 6-0; beat Lin and Wong 6-1.

S. A. R. Bux and K. C. Fung (CCC) beat Wong and Wu 6-1; beat Wong and Lim 6-2; beat Lin and Wong 6-0.

Men's "A" Division

HKCC (5½) CCC (3½)
J. Rigge and M. Heenan (HKCC) lost to Joseph Hsu and Ernie Pereira 3-6; beat H. H. Tsou and Buster Wade 6-1; beat David Leonard and L. F. de Souza 6-2.

J. D. Mackie and Peter Holmes (HKCC) lost to Pereira and Hsu 4-6; beat Tsou and Wade 6-3; beat Leonard and Souza 6-0.

M. Calvert and R. Moore (HKCC) lost to Hsu and Pereira 2-6; beat Tsou and Wade 6-3; drew with Leonard and Souza 6-6.

getting him out without a score. He started this season with a succession of unbroken innings until at one time it looked as though his average would reach 1,000. It had got into the world record figure of the 800s before he was first out, then it slumped to the 500s yet he still possesses the incredible average of 255 for 14 innings—ten of them not out. This 27-year-old was the only West Indian player to top 1,000 runs in the Australian-New Zealand tour of 1951-52 and he finished also with the best average. He made four centuries that trip and quite outshone Weekes and Worrell.

There is a rule with some Lancashire League clubs that they automatically dispense with the services of their various professionals after four seasons, but there was a public outcry when the possibility of Walcott leaving undefeated Enfield was suggested and it has already been agreed that he will be asked to continue there at an even higher wage than the record one he is now getting.

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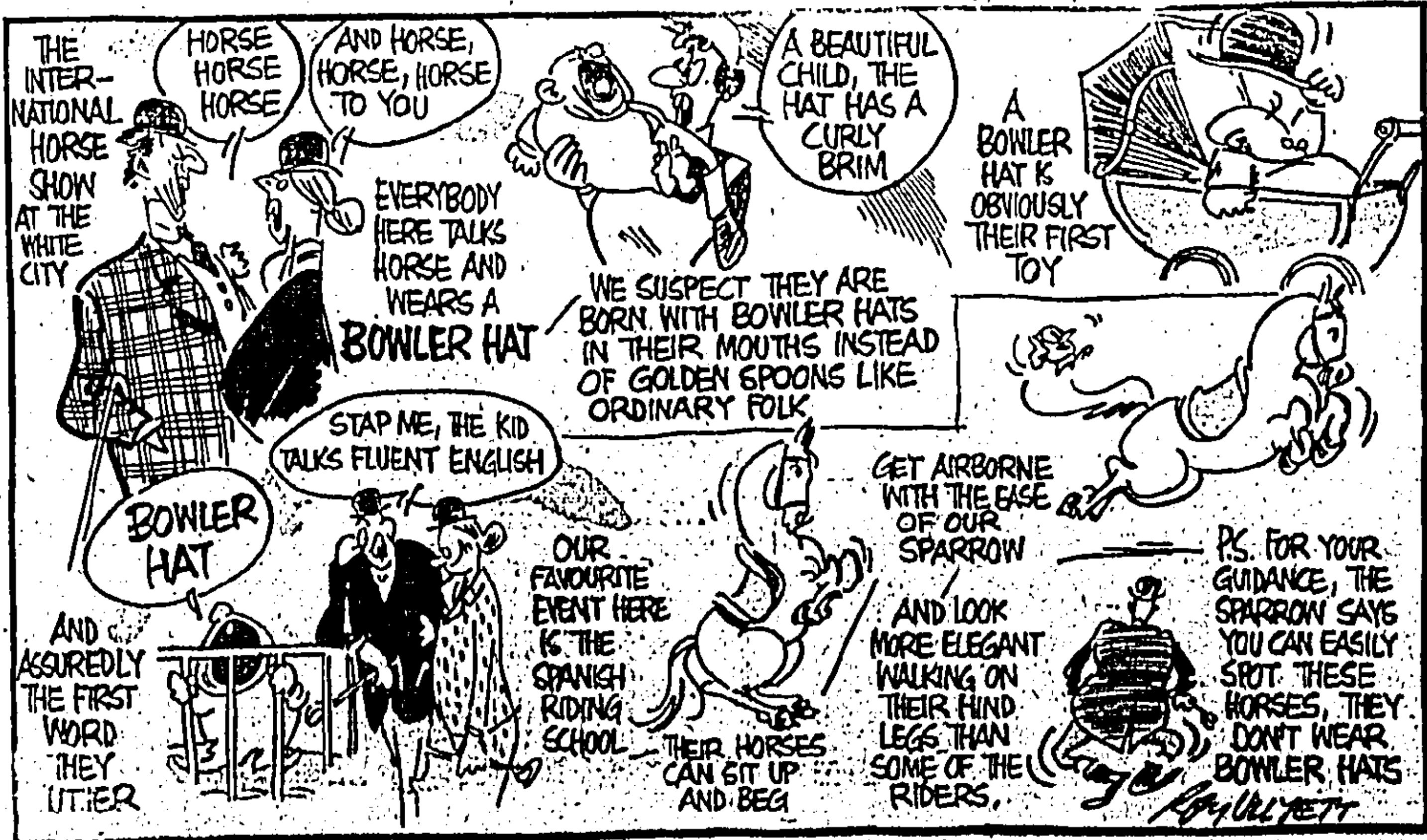
The League is studded with men who have played for the West Indies, India, New Zealand, South Africa and Australia, but Walcott towers above them all.

He was known principally as a wicketkeeper who was also a batsman in the Frank Worrell and Everton Weekes clubs, but he has also become a dangerous bowler in Lancashire. It is his batting, however, which is making him the outstanding League star.

A fifty or a hundred from Clyde is not news any more, but a "duck" is, as he registered at Blackburn the other day. What is more he was out first ball. But his consistency since joining the Enfield Club in 1951 is phenomenal.

In 62 League and Cup innings he has hit 25 half-centuries ranging from 50 to 99 not out and ten centuries, with his never-to-be-forgotten 101 against the selfsame Blackburn in the Worrell Cup as his peak achievement.

Of these knocks, which have brought him in £232 in collections to augment his big salary, 21 have been not out. Only eight times has he failed to reach double figures and no more than four bowlers have succeeded in



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| G. "ASYANAX" | 24th July | — | — |
| S. "AENEAS" | 1st Aug. | — | 6th Sept. |
| G. "PYRRHUS" | 7th Aug. | 13th Aug. | 13th Sept. |
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| "DONA AUBORA" | do | — | 15th Aug. |
| "DONA ALICIA" | do | 2nd Aug. | 15th Aug. |
| "DATAAN" | 25th July | 16th Aug. | 14th Sept. |
| "TELMACHUS" | 26th Aug. | 17th Sept. | 16th Oct. |

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| Leaves | | | |
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Bao Dai Receives Political Leaders

Salon, July 27.

Vietnam's Emperor Bao Dai in the past three days has held an unprecedented series of conferences with Vietnamese leaders of all political leanings.

Bao Dai, who is due to visit France early in August has conferred at length not only with government nationalists but with neutral and other groups which have sometimes opposed him in the past.

Great significance is attached to these meetings.

Political circles feel that Bao Dai has brought about a common denominator among all the different political groups in preparation for his Paris conference with French Government officials.

Political observers thought his meetings with Vietnamese leaders were held in order to define the conditions under which independence within the French Union could be finally achieved in the forthcoming Paris talks.

Two other topics would probably be discussed, these sources thought—France's attitude towards Indo-China as outlined by Foreign Minister Georges Bidault in Washington and Paris recently and the effect upon Vietnam of the Korean armistice and the position Vietnam should take if similar negotiations were opened to end the Indo-China war.

Meanwhile, visitors of all kinds continued to arrive at Bao Dai's mountain home at Banmethuot.

Some have been summoned by Bao Dai and others were arriving of their own accord with ideas to put before him.

For the first time, all were given a hearing by Vietnam's ruler—France-Press.

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SPECIAL NOTE: With the exception of hand packages carried by passengers themselves, ALL BAGGAGE must pass through the Wharf Co's Godown for loading on board by ship's slings only. BAGGAGE COOLIES WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO ENTER THE WHARF.

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HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$442,302. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS: HK Bank 1530 100 @ 100
East Asia 361

INSURANCES: 243
Union 505 121 1/2
HK Fire 360 90 @ 100

SHIPPING: 145
Ama Nav. 145 100 @ 11 1/2

DOCKS, ETC.: 251
K. Wharf 21.00 21.10 200 @ 21.00
D. Wharf 12.10 12.20 200 @ 12.20
Wharf Dock 0.00 0.10 1000 @ 0.00
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LAND, ETC.: 10
HK Land 0.10 0.20 3000 @ 0.10
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Hampshire 10.10 10.20 300 @ 10.10

UTILITIES: 25.20 400 @ 25.20
T. Tram (N) 21 100 @ 21
S. Light (N) 12.10 12.20 100 @ 12.10
C. Light (N) 0.70 0.80 500 @ 0.70

Electric: 27.00 20 200 @ 27.00
Macao Elec. 23.30 600 @ 23.30
Telephone 23.30 200 @ 23.30

INDUSTRIALS: 10.00
Cement 10.00 10 2000 @ 10.00
STOCKS, ETC.: 18
Dairy 22.80 21 2000 @ 22.80
W. Watson 24 24 1000 @ 24
L. Crawford 24 24 500 @ 24

COTTONS: 2.00
Textile Corp. 5.75 5.80 2500 @ 5.75
MISCELLANEOUS: 0
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LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Interesting Crop Of New Issues

(By Norman Crump, Sunday Times City Editor)

The approach of the holidays has been heralded by an interesting crop of new issues, possibly inspired by the knowledge that issues arising out of the denationalisation of iron and steel must, in all probability, now be postponed until the autumn.

On the whole, the crop is a good one, and it has appeared in a reasonably promising market atmosphere.

There are, of course, one or two points of anxiety. The June trade returns could have been better, and Mr. Butler's latest warning of the importance of exports is fully justified. On the other hand, an underlying market fear can be put on one side, at least until next year. This is the fear of an American trade recession.

In its latest "Monthly Review" the national City Bank quotes ample evidence in support of its theory that American business is now safely established upon a high plateau. The writer admits that current activity is partly due to transient causes, including the replenishment of steel stocks after last year's strike, and the seasonal demand for motor cars. Again the approaching holidays may cause a drop in production. Nevertheless the demand for both capital and consumer goods is maintained. For these and other reasons, I

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Japan To Approach UK Government

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The Foreign Office said it planned to direct the Japanese Embassy in London to the very near future to start negotiations on these matters. It declined to reveal further details, but press reports said the amount of the new exchange swap to be sought by Japan would be £10 million while Japan would also seek a three months' extension of the first swap authorised last April, reported to amount to £25 million.

The Japanese Ministry of Trade, meanwhile, said Japan's sterling trade was in serious danger of contraction, possibly necessitating cuts in Japanese imports in October, unless sterling nations further relaxed their import restrictions. The Ministry also said that a suggestion from Mr. Hiyoshi Okuma, the Minister of Trade, that Japan use dollars to finance imports from the sterling area had met with strong opposition.—Reuter.

U.S. PLANTS TO BE CLOSED

Washington, July 27. Officials at the Reconstruction Finance Corporation said today that they plan to close down at the end of next month their plants which produce about 100,000 tons of alcohol butadiene per year for synthetic rubber.

This is part of an economy programme that was explained. At the same time officials denied reports that a change in price of synthetic rubber was planned. They said that they plan no change in the price of 23 cents a lb. for both alcohol and petroleum-based types.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation has been losing money on its synthetic rubber produced from alcohol but has an overall profit on its rubber programme, the great bulk of which comes from the petroleum base. It was explained. Only two plants are involved in the plan to close down alcohol production on August 1.

On its overall rubber programme, the RFC has made a profit of about seventy million dollars. The alcohol-producing plants have been closed before and then reopened when it seemed advisable from the supply standpoint. Officials said alcohol produced recently or in the close-down process would be stored for possible future use.—United Press.

Sugar Prices In N.Y.

New York, July 27. World Number Four sugar closed today eight to ten points lower with sales of 88 contracts. Domestic No. 6 closed one point higher to one point lower with sales of 60 contracts.

In liquidation the world contracts found an indifferent trade demand. Domestic futures were quiet and featureless. In world contracts dealers understood Uruguay purchased 50,000 tons from Brazil for delivery October through April next year. Also in the British Ministry of Food was estimated to have purchased some 50,000 tons of Java refined sugar for the East African colonies. Futures were:

Contract No. 4 (world):
September 3.64-3.65
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January (1954) 3.64-3.65
March 3.64-3.65
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October 3.64-3.65
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March 3.64-3.65
May 3.64-3.65
July 3.64-3.65
September 3.64-3.65
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NY Stock Exchange

New York, July 27. Dow Jones closing averages on Wall Street were as follows:

20 Industrials 102.70
30 Industrials 102.70
10 Utilities 102.70
10 Stocks 102.70
42 Bonds 102.70
Comm. Prices Index 102.70

Large Crop Expected

Washington, July 27. Commenting on the cotton acreage report, which showed 24,000,000 acres in cultivation in the United States on July 1, the Department of Agriculture said it abandonment from natural causes is the same as the average for the past ten years and if the yield per harvested acre is equal to recent averages, the large crop would be produced.

However, the department pointed out that the acreage in cultivation includes about 1,500,000 acres of land on which cotton had been planted but was not up. Furthermore, continuation of the drought in much of the Southeast and further increases in weevil infestation in the Eastern cotton belt States could also cause larger abandonment.—Reuter.

SHIPYARDS GET ASSURANCE FROM GOVT.

Increased Steel Supplies

The Government Inter-Departmental Committee, charged with the allocation of steel plates, has informed Sunderland shipyards that they may expect some increase in their supplies of steel.

But the shipyards in the area are still concerned with the question of whether deliveries can be assured.

Said the general manager of one yard: "We have become so accustomed to the announcement of an allocation for each quarter of the year which bore no relation to the amount of steel we could obtain, that we feel the basic problem is whether we can secure increased supplies from the steelmakers. We have been told that extra supplies of plate will come partially from increased home production and from the 10,000 tons of American steel which is being imported. But so far there is no sign of an immediate improvement."

The spokesman added that although the position was slightly better than it was last year and early this year, the shipyards needed a big uplift in supplies if they were to achieve maximum production. Nevertheless, they hoped that the Inter-Departmental Committee would be able to ensure a liaison between steelmakers and shipbuilders so that the shipyards could obtain their share of the steel plates available.

Meanwhile, at the monthly meeting of the Northern Regional Board for industry at Newcastle, Captain J.R.S. Haines, Admiralty Regional Officer, said it was too early yet to say whether the de-control of steel had had any great effect on the shipbuilding and shiprepairing industries in the area. Plate makers, however, had been asked to allot a somewhat larger proportion of their available supplies to the shipbuilding industry.

Steel is still the crux of the production problem. It offers another element on the question of cancellations and full order books, indeed, all these questions are inter-related if not all part of the same problem. Mr. Wingfield Digby, Civil Lord of the Admiralty recently said in Parliament that it would be absolutely wrong to attach any special significance to cancellations at the present time. Shipbuilders do not attach any special significance to them, but regard them as pointers to an eventual reduction in shipyard activity and it is in looking at it in that light that they are concerned. Especially because of the uneasy, cold-war basis on which much of the demand for ships was founded they do not expect it to continue at the high level of recent years. But they do hope to maintain competition and to that end they insist that more raw material must be made available. Only in that way, they say, can they speed delivery, lower building costs and attract the trade of both home and foreign owners who require new tonnage.

To point out the key position which steel occupies in all these questions they are telling in shipbuilding circles the story of the man with a plan. This scintillating character digested the recent remarks to the effect that the industry was in a prosperous position because it had four years' work on the order books. He reasoned, correctly, that the four years' backlog of orders was largely a result of the steel supply position. The less steel available, the longer construction time must be spun out.

Having gone so far, the man was carried away by his reasoning. All one had to do to make the industry twice as prosperous was to cut the present supply of steel by half. That would immediately quadruple the years of work on the order books. Shipbuilders are amused at the story. To them it appears to have an unlooked for moral: In the shipbuilding industry, the outlook seems to see the least of the game.—Reuter.

A Quiet Day In Cotton Markets

New York, July 27. Cotton futures trading today went through another exceptionally quiet session.

Cotton futures in New York closed one to 13 points higher, and New Orleans closed three to eight points higher. Elation over the Korean truce was tempered because it was expected and traders waited for the outcome of the political conference to follow the end of hostilities.

Crop news, export developments, textile market activity and the usual run of price-shaping factors were obscured for the time being.

Citric interest now centres on the Government's crop summaries to be issued in the meantime. Crop reports thought to show a Government Weekly Bulletin would be on the favourable side.

Prices of cotton futures were given as follows:

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The Rubber Markets

Singapore, July 27. The rubber market was poor during the morning session but rallied slightly in the afternoon. However, this was not maintained and prices closed off in the afternoon. Prices were as follows:

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Arthur's Future

YOU might have said, looking at Arthur, "Here is a young man with a future."

He carries himself with confidence, and though his dark city suit cannot have been expensive, the way that he wears it makes it appear so.

His pallor suggests long hours spent indoors at work. When he talks, his voice is quietly persuasive, and he toys with his horn-rimmed spectacles the way big men of business do. It was odd to see someone like Arthur led into the dock in the Clerkwell court, and odder to hear him in that pleasant voice plead guilty to the three charges against him.

HIS OFFENCE
THEY were charges of fraudulent conversion, and hearing that, the wise ones in the court muttered among themselves that there was a case of a bright young man in the City turning his talent with figures to improper uses.

Once, perhaps, he had done something like that, for there was a previous conviction against him for embezzlement.

But now it was not sums of money or scrip or share certificates that Arthur had been meddling with. He had been fraudulently converting to his own use such unlikely articles as raincoats, pairs of shoes, tablecloths—£44 worth of them.

A police officer went into the witness-box and explained to Mr. Frank Powell, the magistrate, "This man worked in his spare time as a credit draper's agent, taking orders, and collecting instalments on goods supplied. He was paid 2s. 6d. in the £ commission, and 7s. 6d. a week for expenses."

HIS SNOWBALL
"WHAT he has been doing has been to submit false orders, and sell the goods on his own account in the open market, at very low prices."
And Arthur's frauds seemed to have profited him precious little. He would sell a £12 coat for £3, try to cover up by paying the credit draper the instalment due on it, and raise cash to do that by falsifying another order and obtaining more goods to sell cheap.

Giddily, the complicated business snowballed past the point of no return, until, inevitably, discovery and disaster came. "It must be a grim life, living off commission," commented the magistrate, thinking of the 2s. 6d. in the £ and the 7s. 6d. a week expenses.

HIS PROBLEM
"OH, he has another job, a regular day-time job," said the officer. "He earns £5 13s. a week as a tarpaulin-dresser." His tone of voice somehow made Arthur sound curiously wealthy. Then he added: "He lives with his wife and five children, aged 1½, 9½, seven, and six years and one aged six months."

You understood why Arthur had to work in his spare time. "Has he said why he did this?" the magistrate asked.

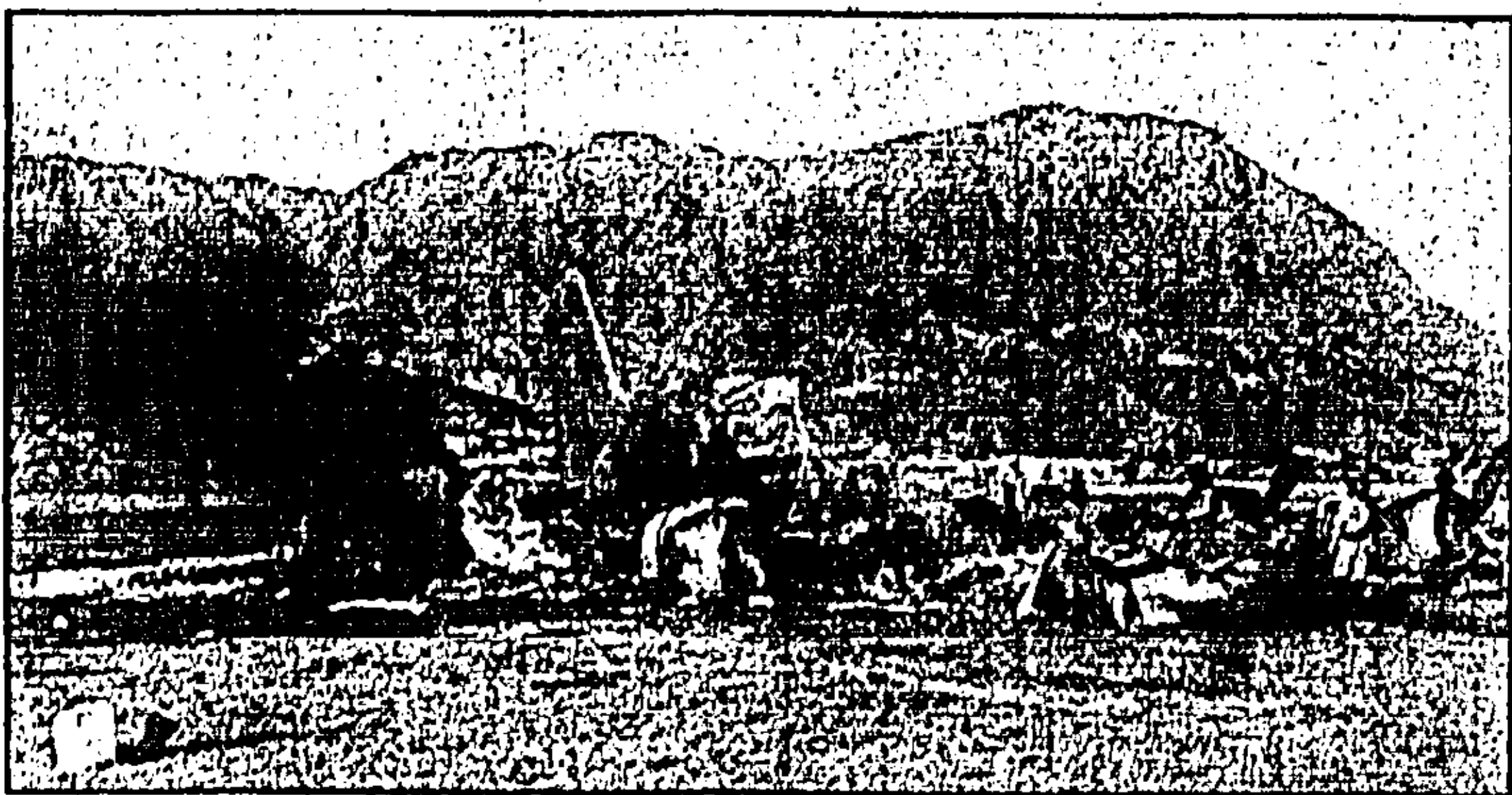
"He did say there had been domestic trouble," the officer answered, and continuing his story, said: "He has got himself an evening job in a cinema now, and says he will pay back the £44 out of his earnings there, at the rate of £3 a week. He has paid back £5 already."

HIS TASK
THE magistrate seemed to be counting out weeks on his desk calendar. He named a date, 13 weeks ahead, and said to Arthur: "I shall remand you on bail until then, to give you a chance to pay back the money as you suggest. Arthur made a grateful sound and hurried from the court as though he could hardly wait to get back to work the day time work to raise £3 to feed his family, the night work to raise the £20 he still owed the credit draper."

WING ON CO. PROFIT

The Board of Directors of the Wing On Company, Ltd., today reported that the net profit for the financial year ending December 31, 1952 was \$1,000,581.24, from which it is proposed to pay interest on the paid-up capital at 5 per cent (free of tax) amounting \$40,000; pay bonuses to Directors, £204,112.25; reserve for subsidiaries company losses \$110,000; transfer to general reserve \$600,000; transfer to Employees' Pension Fund \$100,000, and carry forward \$203,094.80.

Yesterday's Plane Crash At Kai Tak



This picture, taken by a staff photographer yesterday after a RAF Hastings transport plane had crash-landed at Kai Tak, shows the smouldering remains of the machine. None of the crew or 40 passengers was injured, but the accident caused the death of a Chinese on the edge of the runway and seriously injured another person.

Boy Said To Have Witnessed Murder

The witnessing by a young boy of an alleged murder inside a hut in Kowloon Tsai Village on March 29 last was described by Crown Counsel before Mr Justice A. D. Scholes, acting Puisne Judge, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when three persons, including a husband and wife, appeared on trial.

The accused were Wong Hung, 28, earth cooler, his wife, Ng Kwan-ying, 19, and Ching Shui, 20, earth cooler. They were all charged with the murder of Chau Leung-yuen, a clerk employed by a construction company, at 38 Sai Tak Lane on March 29.

Mr D. F. O'Reilly Mayne, Crown Counsel, appeared for the Prosecution, with Det. Sub-Inspector R. Duddman present for the Police. First and second accused were represented by Mr R. W. S. Winter, instructed by d'Almada Remedios and Co., and third accused by Miss B. K. Searle, instructed by d'Almada and Mason.

An all male Jury was empanelled after all accused had pleaded not guilty to the charge.

Outlining the case for the Prosecution, Mr O'Reilly Mayne said that the evidence would show that on March 29, a man by the name of Chau Leung-yuen was murdered in circumstances which showed an unusual degree of premeditation. The scene of the murder was a small compartment which had recently been added to a hut in Kowloon Tsai Village in a squatter area that was very congested. This hut was known as 38 Sai Tak Lane, and the compartment was sealed off from the rest of the hut.

On March 21, the owners of the hut agreed to sublet the hut to the first and second accused, who are man and wife. They did not occupy the hut until March 26. The rent they were charged was \$25 per month, but when first and second accused entered into occupation they paid only \$15, and told the owners that they would pay the balance on March 29.

AN ASSOCIATION
Crown Counsel said there was an association between the first and third accused and the deceased man. All three were employed by the Chan Cheung Construction Company in which the deceased was the accountant, and as such he had the keys and access to a safe kept in the premises. The first and third accused were coolies employed by that Company and were on familiar terms with the deceased. There would be evidence that about 1.30 p.m. on March 29, the deceased was seen leaving the Company, accompanied by first accused. Some time later, he was seen entering the compartment where the alleged crime took place; he was then accompanied by first and third accused. The evidence would also show that at that time the second accused was already inside the compartment.

SEEN BY BOY
They were seen entering by a young boy named Ho Chun-kwok who lived in the neighbourhood. A short time after these persons entered the hut he heard noises and as a result he looked into the compartment through a window which was covered over but he lifted the cover and managed to see inside.

The boy was in time to see first accused shoot the deceased. He saw the skull with an axe, said Mr O'Reilly Mayne. On being struck, the deceased fell to the ground. While he was on the ground the second accused allegedly put a piece of cloth into his mouth while first accused was sent

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Stamps Appeal

Sir—Your readers will no doubt be interested to know that during the last 2½ years the British Empire Cancer Campaign has had sent to it over a million used postage stamps. These stamps have been sent in response to appeals from every part of the Commonwealth, including, I think, the Territory covered by your paper.

Even this vast number could be doubled or trebled if more people overseas were made aware of the great financial help, which, in bulk, these scraps of paper can be towards the expense of research into the causes and cure of cancer, that scourge which causes such a toll on the life of mankind each year. If aware of the need, most people could collect at least a few hundred stamps each year.

If you would help by giving this letter, or the gist of it, the hospitality of your columns, I shall be most grateful.

Government Departments, Banks, business houses, schools, voluntary organisations and private individuals have contributed, and all stamps except common low value of Gt. Britain, are well worth the sending, and will be gratefully acknowledged.

are great—Your help is urgent.
CAPT W. J. ALFRESS,
Appeals Secretary,
British Empire Cancer Campaign,
11, Grosvenor Crescent, S.W.1.

Radio Hongkong

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